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Port Almanac—Dec. 2

Sun Rises	6 53 A M
Sun Sets	4 46 P M
Day's Length	9 h 54 m
High Water at Southport	2 00 A M
High Water at Wilmington	8.41 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 2.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature, 8 a. m., 35°; 8 p. m., 58°; maximum, 65°; minimum, 33°; mean, 49°

Rainfall for the day, T.; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, T.

Weather conditions for twelve hours ended at 8 p. m. December 1, furnished by the Weather Bureau office:

Storm areas continue central over the Southeast Florida coast and the West Gulf, but with increasing energy. The Lake storm has moved to the upper St. Lawrence valley. The Northwest high area is moving in rapidly and is causing freezing weather Southeast to Ohio and South to Oklahoma. Light snow fell along the Lakes and at scattered points over the West during the day. Rain fell over the Gulf States and continues over Louisiana and Mississippi. Fair weather is reported generally over the interior.

Local forecast to 12 mid-day Thursday: Showers, followed by clearing weather; colder Thursday night; winds becoming northerly.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 1.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 5 5 feet.

OUTLINES.

The North Atlantic squadron will spend the Winter months in the Gulf of Mexico. —— Col. Chipley, of Florida, died in hospital at Washington, D. C. —— Senator Hanna is sick. —— The naval board estimates the cost of an armor plant at three and three quarter million dollars; no recommendation is made as to location. —— Representatives of hundreds of railroads and also of leading labor organizations appeared before the Inter-State Commerce Commission in the matter of the law requiring equipment of cars and engines with automatic car-couplers, hand-rails and air-brakes. —— The firm of Apt Brothers Philadelphia, has made an assignment. —— Schafer won the fourth game of the billiard tournament. —— Fire at St. Louis, Mo., caused loss estimated at $300,000. —— Insurgents attacked the town of Gaisa in the province of Santiago and killed and wounded fifty of the Spanish garrison. —— Rioting at Prague, Bohemia, renewed; troops cleared the streets; many people were injured. —— The North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church South is in session at Raleigh; Rev. W. L. Cunningim was re-elected secretary. —— Justice Field's formal retirement from the U. S. Supreme Court took place yesterday. —— The General Assembly of Virginia met yesterday and elected officers nominated by the Democratic caucus. —— Hon. Pat Walsh elected mayor of the city of Augusta, Ga. —— In the Luetgert murder case yesterday no additional jurors were secured. —— Mrs. Nack, the accomplice of Thorn in the murder of Guldensuppe, will be arraigned next week; it is expected she will enter a plea of manslaughter in the first degree. —— Two hundred and fifty patients at the epileptic hospital, Gallipolis, Ohio, poisoned; the physicians had a hard fight to check the outbreak without a fatality; but some of the patients are in a critical condition; a rigorous examination is being made to discover the cause. —— Baron Pasetti, of Vienna, shot himself outside the residence of an American widow to whom he had been making love. —— Germany has sent two additional cruisers to China, bringing the force up to ten ships with 4 000 men and 140 guns; Russia is inclined with France to oppose German action. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2, last loan at 1½@2 and closed offered at 1½ per cent.; cotton dull—middling 5 13 16c; flour—the market remained in a rut without change in price; wheat—spot weak; No. 2 98½c f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot steady; No. 2 33⅜c f. o. b. afloat; rosin steady; spirits turpentine firm.

The autonomy that Spain proposes for Cuba isn't the kind she wants. She is after some of the home-made kind.

A South Carolina farmer has accomplished the feat of producing four bales of cotton from one acre. He did it by intensive farming.

Col. Bob Ingersoll says he doesn't believe that the recent elections will have any bearing on the next Presidential election. Bob doesn't believe in a hot hereafter, either.

A St. Louis preacher is kindly teaching his people how to "meet trouble." But St. Louis people don't want to meet trouble, they want to give it the slip and let it go by.

English investors are very much interested in the South Africa gold mines. They are interested to the amount of $750,000,000 that some of them put in which they never got out.

Dr. Parkhust is very sad, "inspeakably sad" because Tammany is back in the saddle. As he can't help it he might console himself by devoting less attention to politics and more to religion.

A Kentucky editor wants the game law of that State so amended that he may feel sure when it will be in order to shoot "book agents." As the law now stands he doesn't feel quite sure when the season opens.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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Thorn says he loved Mrs. Nack well enough to die for her, and kept on loving her even after he helped her carve and saw up the body of their victim, until she peached on him and said he did it. He'd see her hanged or electrocuted now before he would die for her. But they are both guilty by their own confession, and both ought to be shocked out together for their shocking crime.

The Galveston *News*, gold Democrat, doesn't approve of the New York *Sun's* greenback capers, and remarks that very few greenbacks are in circulation because the gold manipulators gobble them up and hold them, which contracts the currency. But if there were no gold redemption there would be no gobbling of greenbacks and no contraction from that cause.

It is estimated that since gold was discovered in California in 1848 that State has produced more than $800,000,000 worth of the yellow metal. And yet with all that, and with all that has been produced in other States, there isn't $500,000,000 in coin in the country. And we have imported gold, too. Where is it?

Mark Hanna professes to be quite confident of his election to the Senate. But few Republicans have declared that they will not vote for him. To be elected he must get votes of fusionists who cannot vote for him without violating the agreement on which the fusion was effected.

A Canton, N. Y., young man is suing his girl for $5,000 damages because she kicked him and refused to be his'n after she had consented. She owns, he says, a good farm and has $5,000 in bank. He seems to be after her bank account, and will compromise on that, leaving her the patch of dirt.

A little New York girl made a capital catch a few nights ago. She heard some one trying to get in at a window and reached it in time to pull the sash down on a burglar's head and trap him. She yelled and held on till the police arrived and took him in.

When a New Jersey man wants to go to a turkey raffle, he wants to go bad. One of them wanted to take a shake for a turkey so bad the other day that when his wife objected, he took pizen and shuffled off the wifely and Jersey coil.

A negro in the Missouri penitentiary declined a pardon after having served fourteen out of a twenty years' sentence. The weather was getting too cool for him to come out and hustle around for himself.

Washington dispatches say that President McKinley will say something in favor of bimetallism in his message. He doesn't like to drop that old fake which they have played with such effect in the past.

The steamship Monarch sailed from New Orleans last Friday with a mixed cargo equivalent to 28,000 bales of cotton, about 500 bales more than the Milwaukee carried out a short while before.

The Detroit *Free Press*, referring to Postmaster General Gray's postal savings banks scheme, thinks it is imposing too much on the postal department to make it also a "department store."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. J. SHEPARD—Slaughter sale.
WIL. ST'P WORKS—Dating stamp.
R. R. BELLAMY—Complete stock
WORTH & WORTH—Fine seed oats.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cent

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculte the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always advance.

The Republic Will be Towed to New York.

The tug *Edgar Luckenback*, of New York, arrived in port yesterday to tow the disabled yacht *Republic* to New York. The *Republic* was dismantled in a gale week before last and has been lying at anchor at Skinner's shipyard since November 20th.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— The receipts of cotton at this port yesterday were 2,222 bales.

— The old Cape Fear is on the rise again, and there is the usual river transportation.

—Judge T.R. Purnell, Marshal O.J. Carroll, and Mayor S. P. Wright, took a trip to the Sound yesterday afternoon.

— A press dispatch to the STAR announces the safe arrival of the British steamship *Kirkhill* at Bremen, Germany, November 28th.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce has been postponed until next Monday afternoon, owing to the sickness of Col. John L. Cantwell, secretary.

— Mr. J. W. Perrin, of Fayetteville, yesterday entered upon his duties as rate clerk in the office of Mr. Ernest Williams, Traffic Department of the Atlantic Coast Line, this city.

—The field editor of the STAR was very reticent about the result of his hunt yesterday. All he would say was that he had a fine large time, that he killed and bagged every partridge he shot at, and that the number exceeded one.

— The STAR understands that Mr. E. H. Munson, director of the choir of St. James' Episcopal Church of this city, is arranging a special programme for the Christmas day service. The programme of music will be rendered by a choir of about fifty trained voices.

—The Polloksville correspondent of the Newbern *Journal* says that the big cotton farmers of the Polloksville vicinity are holding their cotton for higher prices, which they expect to realize in March or April. Some of the extensive growers are Messrs John Pearce, E L Haughton and John Simmons.

Funeral of the Late W. G. Guthrie.

The funeral of Mr. W. G Guthrie was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from his late residence, corner Third and Queen streets. After the services at the house, conducted by Rev. P. C. Morton, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian chapel, the remains were tenderly borne to Bellevue cemetery and laid to rest. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. F. H. Farrington, pastor of Southside Baptist church. The deceased was a member of Orion Lodge No. 69, I. O. O. F., and his brother Odd Fellows attended the funeral in a body. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. T. Smith, J. E. Gordon, J. G. Carney, G. W. Smith, W. H. Scarborough and Jos. Ferredo.

Funeral of the Late Mrs. Morrill.

The funeral of Mrs. Julia A. Morrill, who entered into rest at 12.15 o'clock night before last, was conducted yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Augusta Farrow, 715 North Fourth street. A number of sorrowing friends and acquaintances attended the sad services Revs. W. B. Oliver and J. W. Kramer officiated. The pallbearers were—Major D. O'Connor, Capt. Ed Wilson Manning, and Messrs. S. L. Smith, Jno. McDougall, T. W. Wood and J. M. McGowan. The interment was made at Oakdale, and there were numerous and beautiful floral designs.

Cot on Receipts and Exports.

The monthly statement of cotton and naval stores, as published this morning, shows receipts of cotton for November to have been 65,356 bales, against 58,061 for the same month of last year. The exports for the month were 60,826 bales; they were last year 63,833 bales. The total receipts since Sept. 1, the beginning of the cotton year have been 210,515 bales; for the corresponding period of last year they were 176,574 bales. Season's exports for the two years up to Dec. 1 are 180,142 for this year, and 155,576 for 1896.

Magistrates' Court.

In Justice Bunting's court yesterday Dink Holmes, colored, was arraigned, charged with being a nuisance. The defendant presented an affidavit of removal and the case was transferred to Justice McGowan. In the latter magistrate's court Holmes pleaded former conviction, in the Police Court, of the charge upon which he was arraigned After hearing the testimony, Justice McGowan dismissed the case, holding that there had been former conviction.

Marriage Licenses Issued the Past Year.

The county fiscal year ended yesterday, and during that time Register of Deeds Norwood issued 294 marriage licenses—117 to white couples and 177 to colored couples.

During the month of November eighteen marriage licenses were issued—six to white couples and twelve to colored couples.

The Atlantic Club.

A meeting of the members of the Atlantic Club was held last night at the City Court room. The president, Mr. W. A. French, Jr., and the secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. A. Willson, Jr., were both present. The by-laws were approved as submitted, and the secretary was instructed to collect the initiation fee and the first season's dues.

The Seaboard Air Line to-day issued the following circular increasing the regular baggage allowance to passengers travelling over their line: On and after Dec. 5th, 1897, and until further notice, the Seaboard Air Line, in order to meet the action of its competitors, will allow free three hundred pounds of baggage for each passenger holding full ticket and one hundred and fifty pounds for each half ticket between stations on its line. The rules governing the checking of baggage to be the same as outlined in excess baggage tariff No. 1, in effect January 15th, 1897, and circular No. A 890, in effect June 10th, 1896. There will be no change in the free allowance in checking baggage through to points beyond the Seaboard Air Line.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT.

A Few Internal Revenue Cases Disposed of at Yesterday's Session.

At 9 o'clock yesterday the United States Court reassembled, and during the day's session the following cases were disposed of, viz:

United States vs. Sallie Mag Chavis of Robeson county, retailing liquor without license; called and failed; judgment nisi.

United States vs. French McLaughlin, of Robeson county, retailing; called and failed; judgment nisi.

United States vs. Daniel McMillan, of Robeson county, retailing; continued for defendant.

United States vs. Tom McMillan, of Robeson county, retailing; continued for defendant.

United States vs. Charlie King, of Cumberland county, opening a letter; verdict guilty. Sentenced to one year at hard labor in the penitentiary.

United States vs. B. F. Maultsby, of Cumberland county, retailing; verdict guilty; judgment suspended; defendant to give a bond of $800 till next term.

United States vs. J. J. Gappens, of Columbus county, retailing; verdict guilty.

The case of the United States vs. Neill McMillan, of Duplin county, charged with retailing, was taken up and was on trial when the Court, at 1 40 o'clock, took a recess till 9 o'clock this morning.

The civil docket will be called to-day.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—886 bales cotton, 17 casks spirits turpentine, 6 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—1,120 bales cotton, 33 casks spirits turpentine, 83 bbls rosin, 36 bbls tar, 18 casks spirits turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—267 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 19 bbls rosin, 27 bbls tar, 30 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—235 bales cotton, 31 casks spirits turpentine, 2 bbls rosin, 51 bbls tar.

Wilmington & Newbern R. R.—309 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 16 bbls rosin, 1 bbl crude turpentine.

Steamer W. T. Daggett—8 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 64 bbls rosin, 33 bbls tar, 4 bbls crude turpentine.

Steamer Driver—11 bales cotton, 14 casks spirits turpentine, 65 bbls rosin, 43 bbls tar.

Schooner Argyle—29 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 30 bbls rosin.

Schooner J. D. Pigott—7 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 58 bbls rosin, 15 bbls tar.

Schooner William—41 casks spirits turpentine, 167 bbls rosin.

Schooner Leah—2 bbls tar, 36 bbls crude turpentine.

Total receipts—Cotton, 2,222 bales; spirits turpentine, 168 casks; rosin, 502 bbls; tar, 211 bbls; crude turpentine, 84 bbls.

The Mill Property Sold at $1,300.

According to notice given in the papers, yesterday at noon at the court house door the mill property on Dock street, between Front and Water, was sold at public auction. It was cried off by Mr. Wilkes Morris. The bidding began at $500 and was run up to $1 300, being knocked down at those figures to Mr. R. M. Wescott. The property embraces a three-story brick building, a forty-five horse-power engine and a fifty horse-power tubular boiler, with a set of rice and grist milling machinery.

The dwelling house, which is a brick building, on Second street, between Orange and Ann, was sold by private sale to Mr. Andrew Smith.

Jefferson Lodge, K. of P.

Last night Jefferson Lodge No. 61, Knights of Pythias, in regular session assembled, elected the following officers for the ensuing term, viz:

C. C.—J. T. Scott.
V. C.—G. H. Haar.
P.—A. G. Ellis.
M. of W.—H. E. Gibbons.
K. of R. and S.—A. S. Holden.
M. of F.—J. C. Morrison.
M. of E.—H. D. Burkheimer.
M. at A.—E. C. Warren.
I. G.—W. L. Burkheimer.
O. G.—E. H. Munson.
Member of General Relief Committee—W. J. Woodward.

To Determine Title to Smith's Island.

During to-day's session of the United States Court the case of the United States vs. Thos. P. Devereaux, trustee, et al., which suit involves the ownership to Smith's Island, will be called and very likely tried. The case will not be tried by a jury, as it is a case of equity, and one that has been in court for several years. The Government will be represented by District Attorney C. B. Aycock and E. K. Bryan, Esq, of the firm of Ricaud & Bryan. The defendants will be represented by P. D. Walker, Esq., of Charlotte, and Geo. Rountree, Esq., and Junius Davis, Esq., of this city.

Game from Orton.

Col. K. M. Murchison, Mr. James Swann, of New York, and others, are on a hunting expedition at Orton. Yesterday some of the game they have bagged was brought up on the steamer *Wilmington* and sent to New York. There were some very fine wild ducks and an eagle, the latter a trophy of the marksmanship of Mr. Swann, and measuring six feet three inches from tip to tip.

Burglars Enter the Store of Mr. R. E. Ward.

Mr. R. E. Ward's store, Market between Second and Third streets, was entered by burglars on night before last. Entrance was gained by breaking a pane in the door, making an aperture large enough for a man to squeeze through. The only thing missed was a few cents from the money drawer. How many apples, bananas, etc., were stolen Mr. Ward could not tell, but there were not enough taken to be missed.

PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT

Put in Operation Yesterday—Chief Haney of Atlanta in Charge—Hook and Ladder Truck Remodelled.

Wilmington's paid fire department is now in operation. Yesterday morning at 6 o'clock the firemen reported at the different engine houses assigned them and went on duty. Chief Haney, of Atlanta, and Chief Schnibben visited the engine houses, and the former made a short instructive talk to each company of firemen. The firemen have an hour off duty for each meal, but at different times. They sleep in the second story of the houses. A watch is kept at the houses all night, one of the men watching from 9 o'clock at night until 1 o'clock in the morning, when he is relieved by another fireman, who watches until 5 o'clock, at which time all the firemen are compelled to arise.

All yesterday Chief Haney was a busy man, but that has been the case with him ever since he has been here. When conversing with Chief Haney you are at once impressed with the fact that he (Haney) is a thoroughly efficient fireman and a clever gentleman, and a man that makes friends wherever he goes.

The Atlanta (Ga.) *Constitution* several days ago said:

Assistant Chief Haney, who left last night, is one of the oldest and most experienced firemen in the employ of the city. He has been in the department since its organization and has watched its growth and contributed to its efficiency. The fact that he holds the responsible position of assistant chief is evidence of his ability to train a department.

The request of Wilmington that an Atlanta fireman be sent there to train the new department is a compliment which is highly appreciated by Atlanta and by Chief Joyner for the department.

Chief Schnibben leaves for Atlanta this afternoon at 3 30 o'clock via the Seaboard Air Line.

Mr. Wm. Runge, elected as a fireman of the Atlantic Company, resigned and Mr. T. M. Trent of the Hook and Ladder Company, was put in his place, and Mr. J. Wannamaker elected to succeed Mr. Trent. The remodelling of the truck of the Wilmington Hook and Ladder Company will be completed to-day. The wheel by which the truck was formerly steered, and which required the entire attention of one man, has been done away with, and other improvements made have lessened the weight of the truck seventy-five pounds.

POLICEMAN FIRED UPON.

Narrow Escape of Sergeant Hewlett and Officer Kuhl.

Last night about 11 o'clock a squad of police officers, Sergeant L A. Hewlett and Policemen H. R. Kuhl and Joseph Sharp (colored), were fired upon by some one. At the usual time last night Sergeant Hewlett commenced to make his rounds, and at 10.45 o'clock met officers Kuhl and Sharp at the Southeast corner of Sixth and Nixon streets, where the grocery store of Mr. H. R. Kuhl, Jr., was burned last Monday morning. Sergeant Hewlett was standing talking to the two other officers when, about a square off, near the corner of Sixth and Swann streets, the flash of a pistol was seen, a report, and then a bullet sped by the group of officers, touching Sergeant Hewlett on the left shoulder blade and glancing by the officer's shield worn by policeman Kuhl. At the point where the flash of the pistol was seen the form of a man was discerned, and the officers at once ran there, and found a colored boy, Ed. Tucker, about seventeen years old, standing at the corner of Sixth and Swann streets. Tucker was arrested and placed in the guard house. He denied that he shot the pistol or that he knew who did the shooting, and stated that he worked at Fort Caswell. No pistol was found on his person. It was certainly a narrow escape for the policemen. Sergeant Hewlett's shoulder, where the ball touched in its flight, bears the print of the bullet.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam'l L. Yopp's Golden Wedding.

Fifty years ago, on December 1, Mr. Samuel L. Yopp and Miss Georgiana Reaves were united in marriage by Rev. Mr. Christberg. Last evening they celebrated their golden wedding. Delicious refreshments were served and the guests were delighted with the hospitality dispensed. There were numerous and appropriate presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Yopp have seven children: Messrs. S. F., W. E. and A. J. Yopp, of this city; Mr. George W. Yopp, of Charlotte; Mr. Jos. L. Yopp, of Atlanta; Mrs. Charles Ellsworth, of Washington, N. C., and Mrs. L. H. Morrill, of Northwest, Brunswick county. Of these there were present last night, besides the children living in the city, Mrs. Ellsworth and Mrs. Morrill, and there were eight grandchildren.

Among the guests also were three persons who were present at the marriage fifty years ago. They were Mrs. Mary E. Smith, Mrs. Rebecca Bell and Miss Hannah C. Yopp.

The heartiest of congratulations were tendered the happy couple.

Mr. Geo. Zeigler's Friends Give Him a Handsome Present.

Mr. George Zeigler was pleasantly surprised last Monday evening when he was made the recipient of a combination case and desk of carved and polished oak, purchased from the replete stock of the Sneed Company. It was the gift of a number of Mr. Zeigler's friends.

Tuesday night Mr. Zeigler showed his appreciation of the gift by most royally entertaining the donors with a sumptuous feast. A. J. Marshall, Esq., made the formal speech of presentation, Squire G. W. Bornemann furnished the music and Mr. Godfrey Hart enlivened the occasion with humorous remarks.

— Among the arrivals in the city yesterday were H. Hinson, LeRoy; W. B. Murrill, Jacksonville; Geo. D. Purdy, Verona.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— P. D. Walker, Esq., of Charlotte, is in the city.

— Mr. Jno. S. Sellers, of Southport, was here yesterday.

— Mr. R. W. Ward, of Verona, was in the city yesterday.

— Rev. D. H. McLean, of Fayetteville, arrived in the city last evening.

— Mr. C. D. McGowan, of Willard, was here yesterday making business calls.

— Messrs. W. T. Hall and Benj. Penny, of Sloop Point, were among yesterday's visitors.

— Mr. and Mrs. D. K. McDuffie, of Mullins, S. C., were visitors in the city yesterday.

— Col. Jno. L. Cantwell, who has been sick for several days, was at his desk again yesterday.

— Mr. J. D. Sessoms, of Stedman, and Mr. Jno. H. Mintz, of Shallotte, were welcome visitors at this office yesterday.

— Mrs. W. B. Cooper has gone to New York to be absent several weeks. She is accompanied by Miss Janie Cooper.

— Among the out-of-town merchants in the city yesterday were W. J. Register, Register; D. L. Smith, Elizabethtown; E. C. Herring, Garland.

— Misses Mattie and Mary Dempsey, two charming young ladies of Portsmouth, Va., are in the city visiting their aunt, Mrs. R. H. Pickett, No. 908 Market street.

— Mrs. James Norton, of Mullins, S. C., wife of Hon. James Norton, Representative from the Sixth Congressional district of South Carolina, was among yesterday's visitors in the city.

Howard Relief Club Sociable.

Howard Relief Social Club gave a delightful sociable last evening at Adrian hall. The affair was thoroughly enjoyed by over forty couples who were present. Prof. Miller's orchestra furnished the music for dancing, and about mid-night an elaborate repast was served by Mrs. P. N. Fick. Chief H. P. Haney, of Atlanta, was present and was made to feel at home.

The committee of arrangements consisted of those clever fellows: Messrs. Charles Schnibben, Henry Gelschen, Geo. H. Hever and William Koenig.

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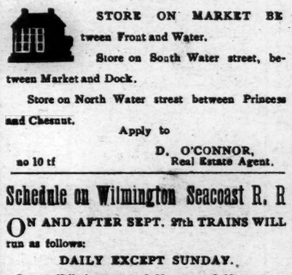

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ON THURSDAY NEXT, DEC. 2ND, AT 12 o'clock m., we will sell at our office, No. 120 Princess street, in order to wind up an estate, the following mentioned and described property:
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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 2, 1897.

NOT ALTOGETHER IN ACCORD.

For some time there has been much speculation as to the attitude the President would assume on the currency question in his message to Congress. It has been represented that he was in accord with Secretary Gage, and that while there might be some suggestions of his own he would substantially endorse Secretary Gage's plan, which embraced the retiring of the greenbacks and the Treasury notes and the refunding of the Government bonds by issuing in their place 2½ per cent. gold bonds. To retire the Government notes as he recommends would require the issuing of gold bonds to get the gold to do this.

We have never believed Mr. McKinley would do this, and never believed that Congress would favor such measures if he did. But there are others who are in a position to see and hear things who take the same view of it, and the nearer the time approaches for the delivery of his message the more positive they are that while he may indulge in more or less glittering generalities, and profess more or less interest in currency reform, he will touch the question in a very gingerly way, make few definite recommendations and leave the matter with Congress to wrestle with, and that means to leave it practically where it is.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *Ledger* is a very cautious writer and is generally very accurate in statements that he makes. Referring to the views of Secretary Gage, he writes:

"While it is probable the President, in the privacy of the council chamber, concurs with the Secretary of the Treasury as to the correctness of his views and the efficacy of his proposed remedy, the President will not adopt the views and propositions of the Secretary in his message to Congress. President McKinley is one of those statesmen who keeps his ear close to the ground to catch every zephyr of public sentiment. Among what Mr. Lincoln called 'the common people' there remains a strong prejudice in favor of the greenback, and advocates of false theories of finance utilize this prejudice to array the people against the issue of bonds to take up the demand liabilities of the Government in the form of United States notes and Treasury notes, both of which are payable on demand in gold. The President will not run against this prejudice by advocating the redemption and permanent retirement of these demand gold liabilities, but, it is understood, will compromise with himself by recommending legislation directed to providing that when greenbacks and Treasury notes are presented for redemption in gold they shall be set aside and not again reissued except in exchange for gold coin. The President believes that by such legislation the greenbacks and Treasury notes would be preserved for use in business, and that attempts to deplete the Treasury gold for exportation or other purposes, outside of legitimate business, would be prevented."

The report became current some time ago, coming from persons who were represented to be close to the President, that he would fall back on some such compromise as is herein stated, but there is as little probability of Congress acting favorably on such a recommendation as there is of its passing a bill to adopt Secretary Gage's currency plan. When that thing is undertaken—that is, the repeal of the act of 1878—requiring, not simply authorizing, but requiring the reissuing of the greenbacks taken in by the Treasury either by redemption or in any other way—there will be a tussle that will make things quite warm in the halls of the Solons. It can't be done without repealing the law under which the greenbacks are and must be reissued, and the repeal of that law under present conditions is simply one of the things impracticable.

There may be some statesmen in Congress, but there are a great many politicians, men who like to be where they are and haven't the slightest inclination to commit political suicide and be laid away in the charnel house, and that's what the majority of them believe would be their fate if they favored any measure directly or indirectly to retire the Government notes. President McKinley is more of a politician than a statesman and, to quote from the *Ledger's* correspondent, "keeps his ear close to the ground" and a good deal closer since the shake up his party got in the recent elections. He hasn't the slightest intention of antagonizing the masses however much he may like to in accord with his Secretary of the Treasury, or comply with the wishes of the "currency reforms" whom Mr. Gage represents. As a politician he will still play the bimetallic fake notwithstanding the failure of his bimetallic commission to effect anything in Europe—outside of France—but even in this he will proceed in a very noncommittal way, being content if he can make the people believe that he and his associates are going to continue their efforts to effect what the monetary commission failed in doing. The course which he will probably pursue in reference to this is fore shadawed by the following taken from the letter from which we have quoted:

"It is also very probable he will have something encouraging for the advocates of bimetallism, and that he will hold out the hope that, through the efforts of the United States, the leading commercial nations may yet be induced to adopt an international use of silver on a parity with gold. In so far as the President may not agree with the report of the Secretary of the Treasury touching the recommendations of the latter for currency reform, nothing will be said in the Message, so that there will be no apparent disagreement between the President and the Secretary. The latter is directed by law to report to Congress, and, while the Secretary of the Treasury, as a rule, consults the President about the views and recommendations to be presented to Congress, his report may contain matter with which the President does not entirely agree, and which fact may be stated in the message without furnishing cause for offence to the Secretary. There can be no doubt, however, that all matter will be carefully omitted from each of these State papers which might furnish a suspicion that there was any difference of opinion between the two high officials touching the proper remedy to be applied to a very generally admitted evil."

He will play to the silver men—the bimetallists—but will do so in a way not to conflict radically with the Secretary of the Treasury, who as a banker has views that Mr. McKinley as a politician would not deem it entirely safe to endorse and recommend. Mr. Gage is playing the business end of it, while Mr. McKinley, who is looking out for the party and for his own chances in 1900, is playing the political end. They seem to understand each other pretty well, and it is understood that each will take his own views, leaving room enough between them to avoid collision.

Viewing the situation and horoscoping the prospects for currency reform, Major Carson, the *Ledger* correspondent, says:

"The outlook for the passage of any remedial measure is far from encouraging. In the Senate the silver men are in the majority, and will permit no measure to pass which provides for the retirement of the greenbacks, the curtailment of their present functions, or the issue of any bonds for any purpose whatever. In the House there is a majority favorable to sound money theories, and desirous of doing something in the direction of providing a remedy for the existing currency evils. But affirmative action will be endangered, and perhaps frustrated, by the multiplicity of council that will prevail. The Banking and Currency Committee is composed of strong men, but unfortunately many of them have pet ideas to which they adhere with the greatest pertinacity, and refuse to admit that the propositions of others contain any virtue. There were introduced at the special session of the present Congress no less than twenty-three bills that were referred to the Banking and Currency committee, and of these Mr. Walker, of Massachusetts, the chairman of the committee, is the author of four. Messrs. Brosius, of Pennsylvania; Fowler, of New Jersey, and Hill, of Connecticut, of the committee, all strong men, also have bills pending for currency legislation."

The sum and substance of all this is they would like to do something but don't know how to go about it. They would like to please the gold men, but fear they can't do that without incurring the resentment of the people, who as a mass do not take any stock in the gold men's programme. They are simply between the devil and the deep sea, and not knowing which way to move will not move at all.

MINOR MENTION.

The land-grabbing game which has been so long and so successfully carried on in Africa by the leading European Governments, is cropping out in China, where under various pretexts some of those Governments are trying to get a foothold or strengthen the foothold they already have, and extend "the sphere of their influence." Great Britain, France and Russia already have a foothold, and recently Germany pounced upon and seized a port under pretence that it was in retaliation for the murder of some German missionaries, for which China had failed to make suitable reparation and atonement. Poor old China is unable to prevent this or protect herself, and simply blubbers and begs some other power to pull the intruder off. Following quickly the proceeding of Germany in seizing that port comes the report that Great Britain has secured from China further concessions of territory to enable her to construct fortifications the better to protect Hong Kong, which she squeezed out of China something over half a century ago. The apparent motive in this cession by China was to strengthen England as a check upon further aggressions by Germany, simply a bid for England's friendship, for England is interested in keeping Germany out of China where she has already felt the effect of German competition. But the game of grab which has begun will go on until that honey combed old Empire falls to pieces and most of it falls into the hands of the grabbers who have their eyes on the choice spots.

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The Spanish Consul at Philadelphia, who has been in Cuba on business for his Government, reports that the terms of autonomy offered by Spain to Cuba have "produced an effect that cannot be improved upon." This is somewhat ambiguous and it isn't easy to tell just what is meant by it, but we suppose he means to say that his Government has solved the problem and is making a bee-line to success in pacifying the kickers over there. As Mr. Congosto holds a job under his Government it wouldn't be prudent in him, at this stage of the proceeding to admit that the autonomy plan was a failure, for in that event he might lose his job, but he evidently didn't have the authority of the Cubans for even the ambiguous statement he makes for the gentlemen who speak for them in the council and on the field have unequivocally and emphatically declared to the world that they don't want any of that kind of thing, and are going to fight it out on their own lines to get what they do want, if it takes several summers, and they are doubtless in a better position to speak on this question than Mr. Congosto, who didn't meet any of them during his official sojourn in Cuba. The fact is the Cubans know too well what Spanish promises mean, and have been victimized so much that they have not a scintilla of confidence in anything that the Spanish Government might say. They were never nearer independence than now, and it would be folly and suicidal to accept anything less.

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The Warrenton *Gazette* of last week notes the sale, under mortgage, in Warren county, of a plantation with a residence on it that cost $8,000, for $2,000. This plantation some time ago could not have been bought for $35,000. We do not know who the purchasers were, but they were probably the holders of the mortgage or mortgages. This is pretty low down, but it is not a rare case, for property put up at public sale, when it must be sold, generally goes at about the same proportion and sometimes even less. And this is not confined to any particular section of the State, and consequently cannot be attributed to poverty of the soil, or to local causes. It is general. The cause is found not in the poverty of the soil, but in the people, who have not the money to pay mortgages or to buy land at anything like a reasonable valuation or even at almost nominal valuation. Some time ago we noted the organization of a syndicate which was said to be composed of outside capitalists with, perhaps, some home capitalists, the purpose of which was to buy up valuable lands sold under decree of court and for taxes. There is not a week that we do not see in our exchanges notices of the sale of lands at almost incredibly low figures, some of them farms which not many years ago sold for five times as much or more. This reads like a pessimistic cry, but it is the ice cold truth, all the same. And it is all the result of the crushing, vitality destroying monetary system which puts money up and everything else down. And we haven't seen the end of it yet, if there be no improvement in this system.

Diseases often lurk in the blood before they openly manifest themselves Therefore keep the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla. †

CURRENT COMMENT

—— It is in vain to advise planters to "restrict the cotton acreage." It is always the other fellow who is expected to restrict. —*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— The silence of J. Sterling Morton may possibly be due to the fact that his exciting chase of the "fanatics, bigots, and idiots" of Nebraska has deprived him of the requisite amount of breath. —*Washington Post, Ind.*

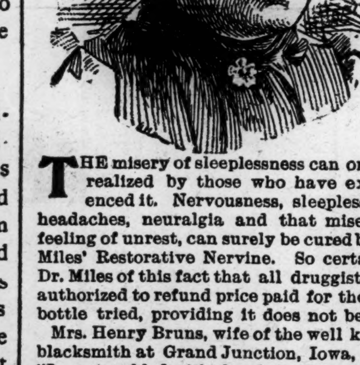
—— American intervention in the Venezuelan boundry dispute seems destined to prove an execellent business stroke. Several important commercial concessions have already been secured from the Caracas Government by Citizens of the United States —*Baltimore Herald, Dem.*

—— If the British and French troops have clashed in Africa it is a shame and a sheer waste of opportunity. There are still a number of good pieces of land which their troops might grab if they paid attention to business. —*Chicago News, Ind.*

—— "Atrocities continue," says The World's correspondent at Havana. And he proceeds to prove it by specific instances of unprovoked murder and violence, with names, dates and places. And atrocities will continue so long as the great crowning atrocity of ferocious Spain's presence in Cuba continues. —*New York World, Dem.*

—— It appears from the reports that the bullets and guns which the Afridis and other tribesmen on the Indian frontier have been using with such effectiveness against the British are of British manufacture. When your British tradesman starts out to sell bullets and guns he does notcare much whom he sells them to, just the purchasers can pay his price —*Savannah News, Dem.*

Her Health Restored



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Mrs. Henry Bruns, wife of the well known blacksmith at Grand Junction, Iowa, says: "I was troubled with sleeplessness, nervousness, headache and irregular menstruation; suffering untold misery for years. I used various advertised remedies for female complaints besides being under the care of local physicians, without help. I noticed in Dr. Miles' advertisement the testimonial of a lady cured of ailments similar to mine, and I shall never cease to thank that lady. Her testimonial induced me to use Dr. Miles' Nervine and Nerve and Liver Pills, which restored me to health. I cannot say enough for Dr. Miles' Remedies."

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Raleigh *Times*: Deputy Collector J. J. Daniel and Clerk Walker, of the Internal Revenue Department, made one of the most successful raids of the season last (Sunday) night at Ringwood, near Littleton. Three large stills, practically new, were captured, in addition to 3,000 gallons of beer and other material. The stills were operated by one person.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: There has been more Fall plowing done in Wayne county in the last few weeks than ever before in one season. Many of the farmers have put in good crops of wheat and oats, and others are turning the ground over for next year's crop. Our farmers are working harder, going in debt less, and getting more independent every year.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Mr. J. B. Kincaid, a good farmer of this county, has quite a singular pig. He tells us he has had the pig in a pen for three weeks, that there is an open door two feet wide to the pen and that the pig has never come out. A 500 pound hog could pass through the door and the pig could easily come out of it chose, but it has not done so. The pig is about three months old.

— Winston *Journal*: A few days since Peter Price, of Greensboro, and Joe Vaughn, bartered on a piece of land at Madison, which they owned in copartnership Mr. Price proposed to buy or sell at Mr. Vaughn's figures. Mr. Vaughn set the price at $2,500, and Mr. Price made the purchase. A day or two later, while having an old cabin removed, a rich find was made. An old half-gallon pot was found containing $5,000 in gold. The gold is supposed to have been stored there by an old man by the name of Black, who had led a miserly or recluse life.

— Greenville *Reflector*: At Hobgood Saturday night a crowd of drunken negroes in Bell & Sims' bar got into a row and had a general cutting and shooting match. Several were cut and one negro named Lawrence Howell was killed by Reuben Smith. The latter was arrested and sent to Halifax jail. —— On Sunday morning Mr. D. S. Spain, who lives in the Dancy house, on Pitt street, found a handsome finger ring in his garden. It was found where chickens had just been scratching, the fowls having uncovered it. Mr. Spain began making inquiry for an owner and the ring proved to be one that Mrs. M. M. Nelson lost twelve years ago at the time her mother occupied the premises.

— Charlotte *News*: Mattie Johnston, the crazy woman that the *News* spoke of yesterday, terrified the police yesterday afternoon and last night. After she was arrested she was placed in the tombs, and it was not very long before she began barking like a dog. She was such a good imitator that the people around the station house thought that one of the canine tribe was confined in one of the cells. They went to liberate the supposed dog and found that it was not a dog at all, but the woman who was making the noise. A physician was called to see the woman and he was of the opinion that the unfortunate woman was suffering with hydrophobia. Those that know the woman, say that she was bitten by a dog in the early spring that gave evidences of being mad at the time. Nothing, however, was thought of this until the woman showed signs of being demented. She was this morning taken to the county home, where she will be closely guarded

APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

December 2, Thursday, E P—S Martin's, Hamilton.

December 3, Friday, Communion—S Martin's, Hamilton.

December 5 Sunday second in Advent, M P—S Mary's, Gatesville.

December 5, Sunday 2d in Advent, E P—S Peter's, Gates county.

December 8, Wednesday, E P—S Barnabas, Murfreesboro.

December 9, Thursday, Communion—S Barnabas, Murfreesboro.

December 9, Thursday, E P—S John's, Winton.

December 10, Friday, Communion—S John's, Winton.

December 12, Sunday 3d in Advent, M P—Grace, Woodville.

December 12, Sunday 3d in Advent, E P—S Mark's, Roxobel.

December 16, Thursday, E P—S Thomas, Windsor.

December 17, Friday, Communion—S Thomas, Windsor.

December 19, Sunday 4th in Advent—Holy Innocents, Avoca.

December 25, Saturday, Christmas, M P—Advent, Williamston.

December 26, Sunday after Christmas—Grace, Plymouth.

Holy Communion at all morning services.

The children catechised whenever practicable.

The Vestries will please be prepared to meet the Bishop.

Offerings to be for Diocesan Missions. †

The Tax on Beer.

There is much curiosity as to why the tax on beer was made $1.44 a barrel instead of $1.45 or $1.50. The rate adopted sounds a good deal as if the senate committee was imitating the bargain counters in the department stores, but there is a deep and important significance to the figures. They were adopted for the sake of convenience in mathematical calculations. One hundred and forty-four is the multiple of 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 12, which are the divisions used by the brewers in the sale of beer. In estimating and computing the taxes upon fractional parts of a barrel $1.44 is much more convenient than $1.50 or $1.40 or $1.45. Thus the tax on half a barrel of beer will be 72 cents, the tax on a quarter of a barrel 36 cents, on a third of a barrel 48 cents, on a sixth of a barrel 24 cents, on an eighth of a barrel 18 cents. Even cents and no fractions enter into the calculation.—Chicago Record.

The Surprise of All.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

TWINKLINGS.

— The First Question—"Theosophists say that evolution is divided into cycles."

"What make?"—*Judge*

— Modern Definitions—Son—"Paw, "what's meant by a 'horse of another color?"

Wheeler—"A bicle of another make."

Son—"And what's a dark horse, paw?"

Wheeler—"A nameless wheel."—*Puck.*

— A Reason: Druggist—"I think we ought to sell bicycles."

Assistant—"Why?"

Druggist—"Nearly all the doctors prescribe them."—*Puck*

— Change of sentiment.—When the bicycle first appeared in India the natives fell down and worshipped it Now it has come into general use, and they fall down and cuss it.—*Wichita Eagle*

— Boston Lady (at the seance)—"Is that my son Chesterfield?"

'Spirit Form—'It is he"

Boston Lady (with a shriek—"O Chesterfield! Didn't I tell you before you died not to associate with any but Boston spirits? Where did you ever pick up such grammar as that?"—*Judge.*

— Lies, All Lies—Eagerly—"And these stories about the fabulous wealth of Klondike—are they exaggerations?"

Klondike Liar—"believe me, yes. Why, you can travel two or three blocks without seeing gold, except a few nuggets here and there."

— "Opposition to knickerbockers," said the golden haired dreamer, "is simply evidence of narrowness of mind"

"Oh, not necessarily of mind," was the answer of the vision with the Titian locks and Junoesque proportions.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— His Experience—"Have you ever had any experience as a stage manager?" asked the theatre proprietor, who had advertised for such a person.

"Yes, sir, I have," replied the applicant. "I drove the stage between Podunk and Persimmonville every day for seven years."—*Louisville Courier Journal.*

— The Qualification.—Her Father—"You have the nerve to ask me for my daughter, sir, the joy of my old age, the priceless jewel in my diadem?"

Her Adorer—"That's what—and I want the jewel and the diadem thrown in."

Her Father—"In that case you can have her. I'm looking for a man with nerve for her."—*Yellow Book.*

An Ideal Spelling Course.

First, as to oral and written column and sentence spelling I shall say only this, that the wise teacher will acquaint herself with as many methods and devices as possible and change from one to the other, in order to relieve the tedium and to meet the needs of individual children.

Before all she will beware of running off at a tangent with any particular method, because none yet discovered has proved a panacea. Second, under no circumstances should more than 15 minutes daily be devoted to the subject. Whatever benefit the pupils receive from their instruction in spelling will be obtained within this period. Third, I would recommend that the words be carefully graded, not only in regard to orthographical difficulties, but in accordance with the vocabulary of the child as well. In this way the course in spelling might become as systematic as in other subjects. Fourth, precedence should be given to common words, while technical and unusual words should be taught incidentally. By excluding words of the latter classes, the course would be materially abridged and the chances of producing good practical spellers proportionately increased. Fifth, the course should be further abridged by excluding words that contain no catch—that is, words which naturally spell themselves.

My researches on this point would indicate that more than half the common words belong to this category, and consequently need not be studied. The ideal ground to be covered in spelling would be represented, therefore, by a carefully graded list of the common words most liable to be misspelled. The number of words in this list, according to my estimate, would be between 6,000 and 7,000.—Dr. J. M. Rice in Forum.

Princeton's Famous Leads In Athletics.

It was a Princeton man who revised the Rugby rules of football and adapted them for American colleges—J. Potter of the class of '77. Andrew James McCosh, son of the illustrious President McCosh, was captain of the Princeton team that year. His team played the "association" style of game during most of the season, but relinquished it to adopt Potter's new mode of play. The intercollegiate world adopted it immediately, and the present game includes most of its features. Alexander Moffat, captain of the 1883 team, was Princeton's most famous kicker. Lamar made the most celebrated run, which plucked victory from defeat in the game against Yale in 1886.

The "curve" in pitching in baseball which has become universal as an essential feature, was invented and first applied in an amateur game in the fall of 1874, by J. M. Mann of Princeton, class of '76. The "wedge" in football, from which have developed all the mass plays now the subject of so much discussion, was invented by the Hodges of Princeton, who learned it from studying Cæsar's "Commentaries on the Gallic War," and the same men introduced the modern system of bringing the "backs" up close to the line. A Princeton man (Smock, '79) invented the canvas jacket.—James W. Alexander in Scribner's.

Indian Agriculturists.

The Indians on the Shoshone reservation have to the present time this season sown 125,000 pounds of grain, and it is expected they will sow as much more before the close of the planting season. The department is not giving the seed to the Indians this year as heretofore, but is loaning it, and expects the Indians to repay it when they harvest their crops. The pupils of the Indian school are farming extensively under the direction of the Indian agent, Captain Wilson, and the teachers of the school. They have put out 12,000 cabbage plants and have a model garden. A test will be made on the farm with sugar beet seed, the department having furnished a large quantity for experiment. Under the present management of Indian affairs the Indians of the Shoshone reservation are improving rapidly in condition, and the majority of the tribe will soon become self supporting. Great interest is being taken by the Indians in school work, and the agency school is having a very successful term.—Correspondence Omaha Bee.

It Changes the Tune.

"What does Shamly mean by claiming to be a great composer?"

"He manufactures a very fair article of soothing sirup."—Detroit Free Press.

A Mean Trick.

"That was a mean trick they played on the human snake at the last place he performed," observed the ossified man cracking a hickory nut with himself. "He'd tied himself into a beautiful sailor's knot, and the dwarf, who was envious, walked up and stuck a scarfpin into him."—Harper's Bazar.

Free Pills.

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THE SPERM WHALE.

Some Interesting Facts About This Monster of the Sea.

The common sperm whale, or cachalot, has a very wide geographical range; it is said that it inhabits all seas except those near the poles. It is much sought after because it furnishes us with spermaceti, ambergris and much fine oil.

As a rule, it is from 70 to 80 feet in length. Its head is immense, being equal to one-half of the entire bulk of the animal and more than one-third of its length. The right side of the head and nose is occupied by a cartilaginous, triangular shaped cavity, called by whalers the "case," which is the main receptacle for spermaceti. The "case" is divided into compartments communicating with each other, and it often contains as much as ten large barrels of spermaceti.

Though the head is large and clumsy looking, it does not impede the whale's movements in the least, for it raises its head above the surface of the water when swimming and keeps it above when at rest.

It is not very well known of what use the spermaceti is to the whale, except that it gives buoyancy to the fore part of its body. Ambergris is a fragrant, waxy secretion. It is a gray substance and when heated or dissolved in alcohol gives out a peculiar, agreeable odor exceedingly diffusive. It also has the power of increasing the odor of other perfumes. Often it is found floating on the sea or lying on the sea coast and is valued at about $5 an ounce.

Sperm whales traverse the seas in herds called "schools" or "pods" by whalers. Five hundred or more have been seen in a single "school," following a leader, whose duty seems to be to keep a close lookout for danger; in case of threatened harm he sounds an alarm by a peculiar roar.—Philadelphia Times.

There seems to be no garment or other article of wearing apparel pertaining to woman on which a miniature may not be appropriately used as a garniture.

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☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6¾
Standard		@	7¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ⅌ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ⅌ ℔	6	@	7¼
Shoulders ⅌ ℔	6	@	7½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ⅌ ℔	5	@	5¼
Shoulders ⅌ ℔		@	5½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 20
New City, each		@	1 20
BEESWAX ⅌ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ⅌ M	6 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ⅌ ℔	10	@	16
Northern	18	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	44	@	45
Virginia Meal	41	@	45
COTTON TIES—⅌ bundle		@	85
CANDLES—⅌ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	10
CHEESE—⅌ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream		@	11
State		@	10
COFFEE—⅌ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	8	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ⅌ yard		@	5¼
Yarns, ⅌ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—⅌ dozen		@	17
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ⅌ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ⅌ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ⅌ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ⅌ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ⅌ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ⅌ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ⅌ pork barrel		@	7 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ⅌ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ⅌ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	3 35	@	3 50
FLOUR—⅌ barrel—			
Low grade		@	3 75
Choice		@	4 75
Straight		@	5 00
First Patent	5 25	@	5 50
GLUE—⅌ ℔—	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White		@	45
Car load, in bags—White		@	44
Oats, from store		@	32½
Oats, Rust Proof		@	40
Cow Peas		@	55
HIDES, ⅌ ℔—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ⅌ 100 ℔s—			
Clover Hay	80	@	85
Rice Straw		@	50
Eastern		@	90
Western		@	85
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ⅌ ℔	1¾	@	2
LARD, ⅌ ℔—			
Northern	5½	@	6
North Carolina	6	@	10
LIME ⅌ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ⅌ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ⅌ gallon—			
Barbados, in hhds		@	25
" " in bbls		@	28
Porto Rico, in hhds		@	26
" " in bbls		@	28
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@	14
" " in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	14	@	15
NAILS, ⅌ keg, Cut, 60d basis		@	1 50
PORK, ⅌ barrel—			
City Mess		@	9 50
Rump		@	9 25
Prime		@	9 25
ROPE, ⅌ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ⅌ sack Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool		@	60
Lisbon		@	
American	40	@	60
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	40
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ⅌ M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ⅌ ℔—Standard Granu'd		@	5¼
Standard A		@	[illegible]
White Ex. C		@	[illegible]
Extra C, Golden		@	[illegible]
C, Yellow		@	[illegible]
SOAP, ⅌ ℔—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ⅌ M—W. O. barrel	8 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ⅌ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed			
⅌ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
6x20 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	50
TALLOW, ⅌ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ⅌ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00
WOOL ⅌ ℔—Unwashed	8	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, December 1.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 30 cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 29½ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market dull at $1 15 per bbl for Strained and $1.20 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.05 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market steady; $1.40 per barrel for Hard, 1.90 for Dip and 1.90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm, 24, 23½c bid; rosin steady, $1.45, 1.50; tar steady, $1.10; crude turpentine quiet, $1.40, 2.00, 1 90

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	168
Rosin	502
Tar	211
Crude Turpentine	84

Receipts same day last year—151 casks spirits turpentine, 464 bbls rosin, 75 bbls tar, 36 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 5⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	2 15-16 cts ⅌ ℔	
Good Ordinary	4¼	" "
Low Middling	4 15-16	" "
Middling	5⅝	" "
Good Middling	5⅝	" "

Same day last year, middling 7½c.

Receipts—2,222 bales; same day last year 2,453.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@45c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 50c; Fancy, 55c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 47½@50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—$1.10@1.15 per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 8.50 per M.

COTTON AND NAVAL STORES.

MONTHLY STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

For month of November, 1897.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
45,256	2,948	18,659	6 243	1,171

RECEIPTS.

For month of November, 1896.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
53,061	3,905	19,612	4,141	1,032

EXPORTS.

For month of November, 1897.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	2,359	1,957	1,056	5,142	1,548
Foreign	58,457	000	13,970	000	000
	60,816	1,957	15,026	5,142	1,548

EXPORTS.

For month of November, 1896.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	3,107	2,984	1,185	4,978	943
Foreign	60,726	500	19,080	000	000
	63,833	3,484	20,265	4,978	943

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, Dec. 1, 1897.

	Ashore.	Afloat.	Total.
Cotton	14,369	16,226	30 595
Spirits	3,3-5	653	[illegible]
Rosin	43 204	9,700	52 9 3
Tar	2,469	12	[illegible]
Crude	341	00	341

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, Dec. 1, 1896.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
26,239	1,759	23,467	1,379	661

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1—Evening.—Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan 1½@1¾ and closed offered at 1¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3 @3½ per cent. Sterling exchange was easy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485¾@486 for demand and 483 @483¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 484 @487. Commercial bills 482¾. Silver certificates 59½@60. Bar silver 59⅜. Mexican dollars 46½. Government bonds firm; new fours, registered, 128⅜; new fours, coupon, 128⅝; fours, registered, 112¼; fours, coupon, 114; twos, registered, 98½; fives, registered, 114¼; fives, coupon, 114¼; State bonds dull; North Carolina sixes 122; North Carolina fours 105.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine firm.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 1.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 30c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; quotations unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 1.—Spirits turpentine 30@30¾c bid; sales 223 casks; receipts 1,688 casks. Rosin firm; no sales reported; receipts 3,980 barrels; quotations unchanged.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 1.—There was a dull market for cotton at an advance of one point, developed on the first call, after which changes were very narrow, the most active positions being confined to a range of 3 to 5 points with the market at the close fairly steady at the lowest level of the day, a net decline of 2 to 4 points. Sellers were disposed to be conservative on fears that bearish crop conditions may have been overdiscounted in present exceptionally low prices. There was practically no outside speculative interests in cotton to day. In the afternoon the market was weakened by larger offerings of cotton from the South. Leading local commission houses were seen to be quietly buying on all weak intervals to-day and gradually absorbing the offerings of weaker parties.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Evening.—Cotton dull; middling 5 13 16c.

Cotton futures opened dull but steady and closed barely steady; sales of 148 000 bales; January 5 65, February 5 69 March 5 74, April 5 79, May 5 84, June 5 89, July 5 88, August 5 93, September 6 00, October 5 29, November —, December 5 61.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 5 13-16c; middling gulf 6 1 16c; sales — bales.

Cotton—net receipts 265 bales; gross 8 801 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,386 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent —— bales; forwarded 4,614 bales; sales —— bales; sales to spinners — bales; stock (actual) 91 088 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 47 558 bales; exports to Great Britain 4,619 bales; to France 15,364 bales; to the Continent 2 594 bales; stock 1,023 564 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 289 903 bales; exports to Great Britain 78 354 bales; to France 42,841 bales; to the Continent 81,357 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 2,984,388 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,262,016 bales; exports to France 349 792 bales; exports to the Continent 972,683 bales.

Dec. 1.—Galveston, firm at 5⅝c, net receipts 16 801 bales; Norfolk, steady at 5½, net receipts 5,808 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 5⅝, net receipts 2 080 bales; Boston, quiet at 5 13 16, net receipts 2,814 bales; Wilmington, firm at 5⅝, net receipts 2,222 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 6 1-16, net receipts 405 bales; Savannah, steady at 5½, net receipts 4,615 bales; New Orleans, easy at 5½, net receipts 7 599 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5 3 16, net receipts 1,822 bales; Memphis, steady at 5¼ net receipts 4,554 bales; Augusta, steady at 5 7-16, net receipts 1 535 bales; Charleston, quiet at 5 3-16, net receipts 4,078 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1—Evening.—Flour—the market remained in a rut without change of price. Wheat—spot weak; No. 2 red 98¼c f. o. b. afloat; options opened steady on foreign buying, eased off under local selling pressure, advanced sharply on a squeeze of December shorts and strong late cables, but finally collapsed under a bear raid and closed ⅛@⅜c net lower; No. 2 red May closed 93¼c; December closed 96⅜c. Corn—spot steady; No. 2 33⅜c f. o. b. afloat; options opened steady on cables, advanced on big clearances, but subsequently eased off with wheat and closed practically unchanged; May closed 34½c; December closed 31⅜c. Oats—spot steady; No. 2 26¼@26⅜c; options active and firmer closing ⅛c net advance; February closed 27c; May closed 27⅜c; December closed 26c. Lard dull; Western steam $4 45; December $4 40, nominal; refined quiet; Continent $4 65 South American $5 15; compound 4@4¼c. Pork quiet. Butter steady; Western creamery 14@23c; do. factory 11½c; Elgins 23c; imitation creamery 12@17c; State dairy 12@20c; do. creamery 14@22c. Cheese dull; light skims 6@6½c; part skims 5@6c. full skims 2½@4c. Petroleum quiet. Cotton seed oil steady but buyers scarce; butter oil 24½@27c Rice firm. Long Island and Jersey cabbage, per 100, $3 00@4 00. Coffee—spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 6⅜; No. 7 jobbing 6⅜c; mild steady; Cordova 8½@14c. Sugar—raw firm; fair refining 3 5 16c; centrifugal 96 test 3⅜c; refined firm.

CHICAGO, December 1—Wheat was firm to-day but very dull until about twenty minutes from the close of the session, when it started on a decline that left it ⅝@¾c lower for May than it closed yesterday. Lack of export demand was apparently the weakening feature finally. Corn, oats and provisions were all dull and price changes at the close were insignificant.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Cash quotations: Flour barely steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 90@90½c; No. 3 spring 83@91c; No. 2 red 96¼@96¾c. Corn—No. 2, 26c. Oats—No. 2, 21½c; No. 2 white f. o. b. 23½c; No. 3 white f. o. b. 23¼@24c. Rye—No. 2, 45⅜c. Mess pork, per barrel $7 15 @7 20. Lard, per 100 lbs $4 20@4 22½. Short rib sides, loose, $4 10@4 60 Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 75@5 00. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 45@4 55. Whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 19.

The leading futures ranged as follows: opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—December 94⅜, 96⅜, 94, 96½c; January 92⅛, 92¼, 91¼, 91½c; May 91½, 91⅝, 90⅜, 90⅜@90½c. Corn—December 25¼, 25⅝, 25¼, 25½c; May 29¼, 29¼, 29¼, 29¼@29½c. Oats—December 20⅜@20½, 20⅞@21, 20⅜, 20⅜c; May 22⅛, 22¼, 22@22⅛, 22⅛c. Mess pork, per bbl—December $7 12½, 7 12½, 7 02½, 7 12½; January $8 12½, 8 17½, 8 12½, 8 15; May $8 40, 8 45, 8 40, 8 40. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $4 00, 4 05, 4 00, 4 05; January $2 20, 4 22½, 4 17½, 4 22½; May $4 37½, 4 40, 4 37½, 4 40. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—December $4 15, 4 17½, 4 15, 4 17½; January $4 15, 4 20, 4 15, 4 20; May $4 27½, 4 32½, 4 27½, 4 32½.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 1.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat firmer; spot 97⅜@97½c; month 97¼@97½c; January 97⅜@98c; May 94⅛c bid; steamer No. 2 red 92⅜@92½c; Southern wheat by sample 92@98c; do on grade 92⅜@97⅜c. Corn firmer; spot 32⅞@33c; month 32¼@32¾c; December, new or old, 32¼@32⅜c. January 32@32½c; steamer mixed 30⅞@31c. Southern white corn 35c; do yellow 31@34c. Oats firm. No. 2 white 29@29½c; No. 2 mixed 26⅜@27c.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 1.—4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot, moderate business and prices unchanged. American middling 3¼d. Sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 7,400 American. Receipts 31 000 bales, of which 25 800 were American. Futures opened quiet with a poor demand and closed irregular. American middling (l m c): December 3 9 64d buyer; December and January 3 9 64d buyer; January and February 3 8 64d buyer; February and March 3 8 64@3 9 64d buyer; March and April 3 9-64d buyer; April and May 3 10-64d buyer; May and June 3 11-64@3 12 64d seller; June and July 3 12 64@3 13 64d buyer, July and August 3 14-64d buyer; August and September 3 14-64@3 15 64d buyer; September and October 3 15 64@3 16 64d buyer; October and November 3 16 64@3 17 64d buyer.

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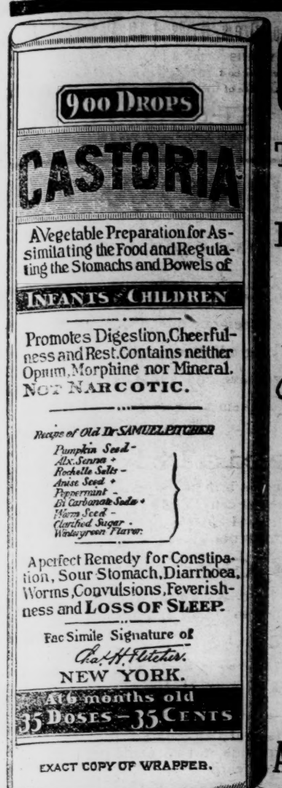

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"A row of six or seven cottages can be made to appear in the photograph like a street half a mile long by fixing the camera close to the subject, and using a lens having a focal length very near the size of the plate. Owing to the difference between the angle included by the lens and the angle of the eye apparent distortion will ensue. Another method of creating illusion is to photograph objects without any means of judging their real size; thus the model of a steam engine or other machinery only 6 or 7 inches high will, if taken on a plain ground, appear in the negative like a machine 7 or 8 feet high, with wheels 3 or 4 feet in diameter. Many photographs exhibited as taken from machines weighing several tons are from models only weighing pounds. It is curious to notice in this connection that a photograph from an actual working machine will look like a copy from a model, a complete reversal of the previous illusion. These illusions may be taken advantage of to flatter those who vary from the average."

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AN ORDEAL.

Hearing that a poacher, Tom Clayper, whom I had known as a boy, was to be transported for life, I went to see him. Tom recognized me at once and held out his hand. He was never ashamed of himself, which was one characteristic he had.

We talked over old times. I was capable of appreciating what merits Mr. Clayper possessed, now that I had seen more of the world, and he was certainly an extraordinary fellow. As I was still young enough to be pleased at hearing adventures and as Tom, now that his career seemed closed, was gratified in relating his, I had Tom's history before we parted. Its finale seems to have been this, for Tom was rather shy of speaking about certain matters, a peculiarity I have noticed in some of your rips: He had his feelings of delicacy where women are concerned. A rather pretty girl was in service at the squire's—Squire Pell, I think I told you. To her Tom paid court. He was richer in presents than in reputation.

I fancy the girl gave him reason to think she liked him. At all events she did not return his fineries. One evening Tom met the colonel in her company—somewhere about the grounds. Tom assured me that he passed them civilly, but the next time he came across the colonel he was surly and managed to insult him and then to speak his mind, which was none of the cleanest. The colonel, you must know, was engaged at the time to be married to Squire Pell's only daughter—money, but no beauty. So he let Tom get the best of him, but from that day, Tom says, he felt he had an enemy and knew who that enemy was.

"Wasn't he a coward to hunt a poor fellow like that in the dark?" said Tom to me and declared he knew the colonel was a coward and was determined to be revenged and satisfied of it.

One night the colonel was in bed and heard his door yield its lock and open.

You shall hear the rest in Tom's words: "I knew that man was a coward, sir; so, once in the house and sure of his room, I knew I had him. I knew the bearings of the bed. I watched how the light fell two or three nights before. The moment I opened the door I threw the light—carried a dark lantern—threw the light slap on his face. I saw him start. Did that man open his eyes? Deuce a bit. Slept as sound as tenpence. I laughed to myself. Why, if he had got up, it'd have been a fair struggle between us and nabbed I certainly should 'a' been. But deuce a bit did he stir. Colonel Badger, thinks I, I'll badger you. Well, I walked slow up to him, with the lantern in one hand and my pistol in the other, leveled at his head. There was he sleeping harder and harder. I couldn't quite see his heart beat, but I'll lay my life it galloped."

I will spare you Tom's oaths.

"Well, sir," he went on, "I'd half a mind at one moment to do for him outright. For a coward who's nothing better than a villain, what good's he for—to live? Close down to his forehead I put the muzzle of the pistol. It was tempting then. Just a hair, and he'd have had an extinguisher on his small candle. Lor, sir, his eyes were shut, but I'll wager he saw it all clear as day. And there was the perspiration a-burstin out of his forehead an rollin down his cheeks. I remember a large drop of perspiration on his nose. An he pretendin to sleep hard all the while! Why, the stoopid ass, did he think I didn't know that a chap never sweated in his sleep—leastways not natural sweat? Well, I kept at that, drawing the pistol away an putt-in of it close, for, I should think, 40 minutes or more, but I took no account. I was cruel glad, to be sure, and be perspiring harder an harder. Not a move right or left. I didn't speak. I thought to myself: 'Oh, you villain, I daresay you think yourself better than me, don't you? And if you had me in your power now, wouldn't you let loose? But I ain't such a coward as you. You shall bleed, my fine chap—in the pocket. That'll do.' For," said Tom to me, "I hadn't come there and run the risk only to frighten the colonel. Two birds at one blow was always my game.

"So by and by," Tom pursued, "when I thought I'd give my gentleman a pretty good sweat for the benefit of his health, I began to ransack. I knew the whereabouts of his desk and things. I collared the desk entire and made as if I'd walk away. He had a chance then. The cowardly beast! There he stuck. He'd have liked to snore, just to persuade me he was a-snoozin. And such a fellow as that to go misleadin of young women! Ain't it disgustin, sir?"

Tom was a bit of a moralist, you see.

Well, the end of it was that Tom, after giving the colonel another dose, made up his mind to quit the premises.

"And I went, sir," said Tom. "Got off scot free. I just spoke these words in a solemn voice: 'Colonel, whether you're asleep or whether you're awake, just you keep quiet the next quarter of an hour, or you're a dead man. I ain't goin yet, but my comrades are (I was all, all alone, sir; I never took a pal if I could help it, but I thought I'd tell him so, the coward), and I'll stop outside the door,' I says, 'till they're safe. So mind your eye,' I says, 'I'm in earnest.' And then I touched his forehead with the cold iron and moved back, pointin at him still, and his face shinin with the cold sweat. He won't forget that hour I give him in a hurry. I knew very well he'd sleep on, bless you, and so he did, and I never heard nothin till a month ago, when they pounced on me for it, and here I am, goin to see foreign lands, thanks to you, colonel. But you won't forget me; so don't try. And everybody's talkin of the story, for I outs with it at the trial, neck and crop. I told it all about his sweatin an pretendin to sleep. I saw the people laugh. I'll swear the judge enjoyed it, for all he looked that grave you'd think he was a owl. Ha, ha! Mr. Colonel! That's what I calls strikin as you fly. They'll call you a coward in old England, but they won't call me one in Van Diemen."

And with this consolation Mr. Tom Clayper departed on his voyage. You will admit that the colonel's night must have been sufficiently miserable.—New York News.

THAT LITTLE DINNER

HOW TO ARRANGE FOR AND SERVE A CHARMING MEAL.

Rules That Will Apply Whether the Dinner Is Expensive or Not—The Maid, Like the Magician's Assistant, Plays a Most Important Part.

That little dinner you would like to give is not such a formidable affair if you pay heed to certain essential points and see that your maid is well drilled before the occasion.

You would perhaps like to attempt a higher flight than the usual family dinner. Let us say, then—or rather, this may be taken as a suggestion—that the dinner consists of a soup, a fish, a roast, a salad, dessert and coffee. If a daintily pretty table is wanted, have an under tablecloth of canton flannel, a fine linen tablecloth, napkins, carving cloths, if you have them, but they are not essential. If your maid is untutored, you must personally attend to the laying of that table. See that the canton cloth is put on perfectly smooth and the linen cloth over it wrinkleless.

Place a daintily arranged bunch of flowers in the center of the table. If you have a handsome tall lamp, use that for the centerpiece. If you are the fortunate possessor of pretty candelabra, put one on each side of the flowers. If you use candlesticks, you need four, which must be placed in a square a little distance from the flowers. Lay a dinner plate for each person. On the right of this plate the maid must lay a soup spoon, a dinner knife, a knife for the fish. On the left she must place a fork for the fish and a larger one for the roast. There is a proper way in which to lay each of these articles. The bowl of the spoon should be upward, the sharp edges of the knives toward the plates and the tines of forks up. Those points are essential to good form. A tumbler for water is placed at the right of each plate and a napkin, holding a piece of bread, at the left.

See that all the things necessary for each course are ready and at hand. Place the dessert plates, with their spoons or forks, on the sideboard. On a side table have ready a tray with after dinner coffee cups and saucers and spoons with sugar bowl and cream jug. Have extra glasses, knives, forks and spoons ready at hand to meet emergencies that sometimes happen at the best regulated dinner.

Your tureen, dishes and plates must be warm. To neglect this point spoils a good dinner. The salad bowl and olive dishes must be cool. It is rather nice to have a couple of olive dishes and a couple of dishes of salted almonds. These are placed outside the candelabra. Just before dinner is announced tumblers and carafes should be filled and candles lit. The mistress who has not full confidence of the skill of her maid should carefully review her table after it is laid to make sure that no essential is missing. As to serving this meal, the maid should be instructed to place the soup tureen with the soup ladle at its right and warm soup plates at the head of table, after which she may announce that "dinner is served." The guests seated, the maid uncovers the tureen, placing the cover on the little side table. The mistress places a ladleful of soup in a plate and passes it to the maid, who receives it on her tray and, going to the right side of the persoon at the right of the mistress, places it before him on the cold dinner plate. Serve guests on one side of the table and then the other. The maid removes the tureen first, then a soup plate in each hand until all are removed. She should take the plates from the right of the guest. The platter of fish and warm fish plates are placed before the host, with fish knife and fork to right and left of platter.

In serving the first slice of fish the maid should place it before the hostess. This raises a mooted point. The guest of honor was usually the person first served, but in these days of innovations, when new dishes, strange table implements and novel methods of eating are so in vogue, it has been decided that it is best for the hostess to take the lead, so that there may be no danger of blunders by uninitiated guests.

The maid places the roast before the host, with the carving knife and fork and gravy spoon and hot plates. She serves the roast as she did the fish. She should then take a vegetable—say, potatoes—on her tray, with its spoon, and offer to each guest at his left. Each vegetable must be served in turn. The removal of this course requires carefulness. She should first take the carver and fork and gravy spoon on her tray and carry them from the room, then the platter and after that the plates, one in each hand. All crumbs are carefully brushed from the table.

She puts the salad fork and spoon in the salad bowl, which she places, with the salad plates, before the host. While he is helping the first plate she quickly puts a knife and fork at each place. When the salad is removed, the maid must also take away the salts and peppers, almonds, olives, etc., and the table again brushed of crumbs. The dessert, with its plates, is placed before the hostess, and the person at her right served first. This course removed, the maid places the coffee tray before the hostess and brings the coffeepot. When the coffee is poured, she serves it, beginning with the guest at the right, and offers cream and sugar, always at the person's left. If the carafes are filled and nothing else is needed, the maid may leave the room, and the hostess may give herself up to those delicious 15 minutes over the coffee which only come to a woman who has achieved that triumph of social art, a well prepared and well served dinner, whether it cost $5 or $50.—Philadelphia Press.

Fashion In House Lighting.

There is fashion in lights, as in every other feature of house furnishing, and fashions are rooted and grounded in common sense far oftener than we are in the habit of thinking, says The Ladies' Home Companion. A blaze of light is out of fashion and deserves to be, for it is as trying to the eyes as to the complexion and emphasizes worn and faded furnishings as well as hollows and wrinkles. Overhead lights are under the same ban, and with equally good and sufficient reasons. In short, chandeliers are out and brackets are in, lamps are the perfection of beauty and lighting power, and candlesticks handsomer and more popular than ever before. Side brackets with movable arms are in decided favor. Inexpensive ones are pretty. Any one can fasten them to the wall, and no style of light is so well adapted to different rooms and uses. They come in a wide range of sizes and all sorts of designs, with one plain gas jet fitted for a globe, and with as many as five jets that simulate candles on one branch and fitted for oil and candles. Those of wrought iron are highly effective when they accord with the style of a room. Placed each side of a dressing table or bureau, lamps on arms make an effective and convenient light for toilet purposes.

Fighting Fires In Winter Weather.

To stand upon the peak of a ladder at perhaps the third or fourth story of a building, directing the stream of water at the blazing interior while the thermometer is at about its lowest point, is not a comfortable task. Perhaps another stream is playing over your head, and you stand in an icy spray. Icicles hang from every point of your fire hat, and the rubber coat is frozen to your back, and the water that is falling about you freezes as fast as it falls. Every movement upon the ladder is fraught with danger; for it is so incrusted with ice that it is almost impossible to get a solid foothold, and a misstep would hurl you to the ground, 40 feet below.—Charles T. Hill in St. Nicholas.

Good Excuse.

The Lady—I'll give you a good meal if you will cut up some of that wood.

The Tramp—Sorry, but I cannot accommodate you, madam.

"Too lazy to work, I suppose?"

"Not that, madam; not that. I would be false to my trust. You see, I'm a member of the Society For the Preservation of the American Forests, and we never cut any wood."—Yonkers Statesman.

The Highest Grade.

"Do you think, Parvenu, that your son is acquiring a good education at college?"

"He must be getting the best. He draws on me about every other day to make payments on it."—Detroit Free Press.

As Ordered.

"Waiter, this chop is done abominably.'

"It's what you ordered, sir."

"What I ordered? What d'yer mean?"

"Why, you ordered a chop not too well done."—Illustrated Bits.

How to Stop a Hole In a Boat.

In the narrative of his journey to Burma Captain Gill, R. E., incidentally gives some scraps of information that may be found practically useful. In one of his stories he describes the way in which a leak was stopped in a junk which met with a mishap while sailing up the Yangtze river. The skipper of the boat was an old lady, a widow, whom the captain, with shocking lack of gallantry, designated Jezebel. Her force of lung and store of bad temper were such that none of the coolies or boatmen could withstand her, and it was only when ascending the rapids that she would for a time yield her command to the pilot.

On one occasion the junk ran aground and knocked a big hole in her side. Jezebel, looking at it with unconcern, remarked, between the whiffs of her pipe, "Cotton wool," by which she meant that the breach was to be repaired with that material. The coolies first put on a plaster of whity brown paper, mud and grains of rice. Over that they nailed a piece of wood and stuffed the interstices with cotton wool and bamboo shavings. The patch was, of course, put on inside. The operation was a long one, and extraordinary as this method of boat repairing may appear, it proved tolerably effectual, although from the amount of bailing that was always necessary afterward, one voyager suggested that the vessel should be called the Old Bailee.—Harper's Round Table.

Going to the Opera Underground.

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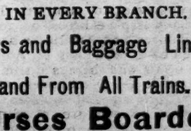

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THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 2, 1897

CAR AND ENGINE EQUIPMENT.

Representatives of Railroads and Labor Organizations Before the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 1.—The Inter-State Commerce Commission to-day opened the hearing of the railroads which have petitioned for an extension of the time in which they may comply with the law of 1898 requiring them to equip their cars and engines with automatic car couplers, hand-rails and air-brakes. The representatives or attorneys of several hundred railroads and also of leading labor organizations were present. John K. Cowen, one of the receivers of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, presented the general subject to the Commission. Previous to his general presentation Chairman Morrison, of the Commission, called for the oral argument of the roads which were completely equipped under the law, but which had now petitioned the Commission for an extension of the time as applied to the cars of other roads which had not complied. Samuel Hoar, representing the Boston & Albany railroad, made a brief argument on this point to show the utter paralysis of traffic which must follow if roads which had complied with the law were compelled to cease hauling unequipped cars. He further said it would require $40,000,000 to $50,000,000 for the railroads to comply with the law. This money must be earned. If the commission declined an extension, the roads would be absolutely unable to equip their cars out of their own resources and would have to take it out of wages.

P. H. Morrissey, representing the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, the Railroad Conductors' Association, the Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and the Association of Railroad Telegraphers, followed Mr. Cowen with a forcible presentation of the attitude of the railroad employes toward the solicited extension.

During the past five years, he said, 2,000 railroad men had been killed annually, and between 20,000 and 25,000 injured. Of these casualties sixty per cent. were directly attributable to the two evils this law was designed to correct.

He replied rather heatedly to the intimation of wage reduction thrown out by Mr. Cowen. "I speak in no defiant spirit," said he, "but I want to say that when the question of a reduction in wages is presented to us, we will meet it. If the alternative of reducing wages or the maiming and death of its members were presented to the organizations which I represent, I do not hesitate to say that they would prefer to go out and equip the roads themselves."

The hearing to-day closed with a somewhat sensational exchange between Mr. Cowen and Mr. Morrisey. Mr. Cowen in closing, indignantly repudiated the idea that Mr. Gompers or Mr. Morrisey in any way represented the employes of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. He warned the commission against the humanitarian view urged by the labor leaders. He used irony in his references to Mr. Morrisey's assumption of authority. The latter jumped to his feet when Mr. Cowen sat down. He refused to be discredited, and he denied that he had assumed authority not vested in him. Eighty five per cent. of the employes of the Baltimore & Ohio, he said, were members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and at the Toronto convention last year he had unanimously been empowered to state the position of its members to the Inter-State Commerce Commission. Every division of the Baltimore & Ohio had been represented that convention. Upon that authority, he said, he denied Mr. Cowen's statement.

"I said the question of a year's extension had never been presented to the employes of the Baltimore & Ohio," interrupted Mr. Cowen, "and I repeat it."

"The Toronto convention," retorted Mr. Morrissey, "voted against any extension." He then explained further that he had appealed to the convention not to tie his hands, but to leave him free to use his judgment, and that this discretion had been accorded him. Soon afterward the hearing was adjourned until to-morrow.

FIRE IN ST. LOUIS.

Paper Factory and Other Buildings Burned—Loss Estimated at Over $200,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST LOUIS December 1.—Fire broke out in the F. O. Sawyer Company's paper factory, on Locust, near Third street, at 3 30 o'clock this afternoon, and within an hour the establishment was in ruins and a number of adjoining buildings were badly damaged. The general loss is estimated at over $300 000. Just how the fire started is not known, the flames suddenly bursting from the building. It contained highly inflammable material and was soon a roaring furnace, the fire communicating across the street to the Economic bindery plant, the Young-McKinney Printing Company, the Missouri Engraving Company, Woodward-Tiernan Printing Company and Higgins' Map Printing Company. A general alarm had been turned in, but the net work of wires and the narrowness of Locust street at the spot prevented the firemen from getting actively at work at the seat of the fire. There were a hundred employes in the paper factory, but all made their escape in safety.

At 4 30 o'clock the walls of the paper factory fell, crushing in the McKinney Company's plant. At 5 o'clock the flames were under control.

While running to the fire a hose-reel collided with a street car, and Finley Bruce, the driver, sustained three broken ribs.

As night fell the firemen worked in total darkness as the electric wires are all down. It is claimed that all the companies were fully insured.

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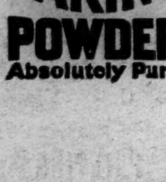

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RIOTING IN PRAGUE.

RENEWAL OF DISTURBANCES IN THE GERMAN QUARTER.

Houses and Shops Plundered—Troops Cleared the Streets—Many People Injured and a Number of Arrests Made.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PRAGUE, BOHEMIA, December 1.—There was a renewal of the rioting here last evening. The windows of the German theatre, German schools, restaurants, residences and newspaper offices were broken. The troops cleared the streets. Many persons were injured and a number of arrests were made. During the afternoon the riots increased. The synagogue windows were smashed as well as the windows of the houses of Jews displaying German trade signs in several streets of the Jewish quarter.

Since 6 o'clock this evening the streets have been held by twelve battalions of infantry and a squadron of hussars. All traffic is suspended and the shops and business houses are closed.

In spite of the military, a large Czech mob made a descent during the evening upon the German quarter and plundered houses and shops in several streets. The furniture of a well known German cafe was piled up in the street, and set on fire. When a detachment of troops approached to disperse the rioters the soldiers were greeted with a shower of stones, broken glass and other missiles. The officer in command ordered his troops to prepare to fire, but at the urgent request of a police official the order was not carried into effect.

Shortly after 9 o'clock a mob attempted to storm a cartridge factory at Zizkow, a suburb of Prague, on the other side of the Moldau. The troops stationed at the factory poured a volley into the crowd. It is known that at least two persons were killed outright and it is feared that others were killed or wounded. The same body of rioters set fire to a house at Zizkow, but the flames were soon quenched. In various other parts of the city and the suburbs windows were smashed and the German sign boards demolished. It is said that the mob was incited by articles in the Czech newspapers and by a false report that the German students had organized an attack upon the Czech National Theatre.

At a late hour threatening crowds made repeated rushes and attempts to storm the German newspaper offices, but by 11 o'clock the town was quiet and the troops had been withdrawn except patrols at threatened points.

In Smichow, the southwest suburb of Prague and a thickly populated industrial quarter at a late hour in the evening, a riotous mob attacked and plundered the German national school. The rioters fired shots at the police detachment which arrived on the scene to disperse them; whereupon the commanding officer, acting with great promptitude, drew his revolver and fired at one of the ring-leaders, the bullet piercing his arm. He then arrested the man, and the result of this energetic action was the dispersion of the mob without much further difficulty.

The German gymnasium in the Altstaedter Ring, in the center of the city, was plundered by a mob which was finally dispersed by a combined charge of soldiers and police.

As a result of the riots and disorders of the last twenty-four hours the authorities have proclaimed the city under martial law. The chief of police, who is a Czech, was discovered encouraging the rioters, and has been suspended from office. It is now known that the number of injured Germans reaches 800. They are being cared for at the various hospitals.

The disturbances to-day have amounted almost to a rebellion. Thousands of Czech miners streamed into Prague to-night from the surrounding villages to assist the rioters. The scientific instruments in the German University and High School have been destroyed and valuable archives preserved for a long time at the Kinsky palace, the largest in the Altstadt, have been burned.

The constant cry of the rioters was, "Down with the Germans; down with the Jews."

Ladies venturing on the streets were obliged to wear the Slav tri-color in order to avoid being attacked. German signboards are being hastily removed by their owners and replaced with Czech inscriptions. Nobody dares to utter a word in German.

The Kinsky palace was plundered of its furniture, which was thrown through the windows, heaped in the street and set on fire, the mob preventing the fire brigades from approaching.

VIENNA, December 1.—The prospects for the new ministry are ominous. The assignment of portfolios has been received on all sides with frigid reserve, and although the dismissal of Count Badeni has allayed the spirit of rebellion in Vienna and the German towns, anarchy has broken out in the Slav and Czechish towns and provinces.

It looks as though Baron Gautsch would have as great difficulties to face in the demands of the Czechs and Socialists as Count Badeni had.

Seeing the success that mob influence has had in Vienna in bringing about the downfall of Count Badeni, the Czechs are trying by the same influence to bring pressure to bear upon the new cabinet.

The parliamentary situation is unchanged and hopeless. Baron Gautsch has conferred with the leaders of the majority and the leaders of the minority, but so far both parties appear irreconcilable.

GERMANY'S DEMANDS.

An Apology as Well as Indemnity Required of Hayti.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, December 1.—The exact nature of Germany's demands on Hayti became known for the first time to day. The details came by way of steamer from Port au Prince, which arrived at New York yesterday and show the demands to be as follows:

"First—An indemnity of twenty thousand American dollars for Emil Lueders; second, the promise that Mr. Lueders may return to Hayti and there sojourn without danger of any kind; third, a letter to my Government in which you will express apology for the proceedings towards the German government in the whole transaction; fourth, that the president of Hayti shall graciously receive the German charge d'affaires at Port au Prince."

Hayti, in turn, demands to know on what grounds an apology is asked, alleging gross disrespect on the part of the German charge d'affaires to the Haytian president. The money indemnity is regarded by Hayti as the least important feature of the affair.

The dry goods market shows signs of an increase in interest in some quarters although the tone of the market shows no advance of moment. The reductions in staple calicoes, on the part of Merrimacs and Americans has been followed by a reduction of Algonquin indigo prints, and there is a stimulation of interest in nearly all lines of fancy cottons, printed and woollen goods. This is not, however, true of staple cottons in any grade, nor print cloths.

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CUBAN WAR NEWS.

Insurgents Attack the Town of Guisa—Fifty of the Garrison Killed and Wounded—Reports of Other Engagements.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, December 1.—Announcement was issued from the Spanish headquarters in the palace to day, saying that a force of insurgents recently attacked Guisa, a town situated about fifteen miles from Bayamo, in the province of Santiago de Cuba. It was further announced that a Spanish column has left Manzanillo to engage the insurgents at Guisa.

Another announcement from the palace describes a movement of Spanish troops under General Bernal, who was accompanied by Senor Jose Canalejas, the former Spanish cabinet minister and special commissioner, who is visiting Cuba to gather material for a report on the condition of the island, in behalf of the Spanish Government; and General Hernandez Valazquez. The Spanish force consisted of 2,800 men, accompanied by two field guns. The column, under the personal command of General Bernal, engaged an insurgent force, according to the report, on the heights of Romaro Madama, and Palades, province of Pinar del Rio, and later was more severely engaged with the insurgents at La Cuchille de Los Caimitos, where the Spaniards are said to have captured and destroyed the fortified camp of the insurgent General Ducassi.

General Hernandez, commanding the second column, the report continues, captured and destroyed an insurgent camp at Aranjuez, and also destroyed five hundred huts and several other insurgent camps in the immediate vicinity of Aranjuez.

As a result of these movements, continues the official statements, the insurgents retreated in a thoroughly demoralized condition after suffering the loss of many men. The Spanish columns lost a major and twelve soldiers killed and had one captain and twenty-nine soldiers wounded.

According to the latest advices from the scene of the engagement, the Spanish cavalry was continuing the pursuit of the enemy.

The garrison at Guisa is reported to have lost fifty killed and wounded.

GULDENSUPPE MURDER.

Mrs. Nack Will be Arraigned Next Week—It is Expected She Will Plead Guilty of Manslaughter.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 1.—Martin Thorn, who last evening heard the verdict of the jury which will send him to the electric chair to expiate the murder of William Guldensuppe, passed a quiet night in his cell at the Queens county jail.

When Sheriff Doht went to see Thorn this morning the condemned prisoner said he had no appetite for breakfast, but he felt that a big load was off his mind. Thorn did not talk as if he had any hope of getting a new trial. He supposed, he said, he would have to make up his mind to meet the worst.

Police Captain Methven, of Long Island City, said to-day: "There are some discrepancies in the published report of Thorn's confession, but the main facts remain unchanged. Thorn made part of the confession to me and part to Sheriff Doot. I can truthfully say that Thorn confessed that he killed Guldensuppe."

Lawyer Howe to-day denied in strong terms the statement that Thorn, after his confession yesterday, confessed to the killing and dismemberment of Guldensuppe. Mr. Howe reiterated his belief that the Court of Appeals would reverse the verdict.

Mrs. Nack spent a restless night, being evidently much affected by the conviction of Thorn. When she heard of the verdict she wept, and expressed sorrow for her former lover, although she says her conscience is relieved. Mrs. Nack is in a highly nervous condition, and is now very anxious about her own case. District Attorney Youngs has not announced just what he purposes doing in the case of Mrs. Nack, but says he will take no action until after Thorn is sentenced.

It is understood that Mrs. Nack will be arraigned in court next week when her counsel, Emanuel Friend, will in her behalf enter a plea of guilty of manslaughter in the first degree, and that the district attorney will accept the plea. In doing this Mr. Youngs would be recognizing Mrs. Nack's action in turning State's evidence at the first trial. Mrs. Nack may be sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.

North Carolina Conference in Session at Raleigh—Dr. Cunninggim Re-elected Secretary—Yesterday's Proceedings.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 1.—The North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, opened here at 9 30 a. m. with the celebration of the Lord's supper, administered by the Bishop, assisted by leading divines.

Reports from the connectional officers were read and the various committees appointed.

Rev. W. L. Cunninggim was re-elected secretary.

Rev. W. C Norman was elected trustee of the Conference to succeed the late Dr. Black.

Bishop Halsey, of the Colored Methodist Church, made an appeal for Paine Institute, and $267 67 was raised in small contributions. Col. Julian S. Carr, of Durham, added $1,000 to the collection.

The morning session was spent chiefly in answering the twentieth question: 'Are the preachers blameless in their lives and conversation?' The character of all the preachers in the Raleigh district passed.

The feature of the night service was an address of an hour's length by Mrs. Hargrove, wife of the presiding Bishop. Her subject was, "Parsonage and Home Mission Work." Mrs. Hargrove spoke entertainingly, giving as she proceeded many figures and a number of touching incidents in her experience.

Mrs. Hargrove will speak to morrow to women only.

VIRGINIA'S LEGISLATURE.

Both Houses Met and Organized—Governor's Message Received and Read.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA, December 1.—The Virginia General Assembly met to-day at noon, and each House elected the officers nominated by the Democratic caucuses held last night. The present session will elect a successor to Hon. John W. Daniel in the United States Senate; will elect the treasurer; the two auditors; superintendent of public instruction; superintendent of public printing; superintendent of the penitentiary; register of the land office, and railroad commissioner. These elections will be caucussed on this week. The Legislature will also elect county judges.

The Governor's message recommends that if necessary, the appropriations to State institutions of higher learning be reduced, in order to increase the appropriations to the State soldiers' home and for pensions. It discusses the subject of lynchings, and urges that a heavy pecuniary penalty be imposed on each county and city in which a lynching occurs. Also, that there be only one penalty for rape, and that death. It recommends radical changes in the oyster laws, so as to increase the revenues, and advocates material changes in the election law.

UNITED STATES WARSHIPS.

The North Atlantic Squadron Will Rendezvous in the Gulf of Mexico This Winter.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 1.—The North Atlantic squadron will enter the Gulf of Mexico this winter and spend several months off the coast of Florida. This will be the first time in about three years that the squadron has been in the Gulf, the last cruise having been made under the command of Rear Admiral Meade. It was the intention shortly after his retirement to send the squadron to the Venezuelan coast for the customary winter drills, but this cruise was abandoned on account of friction that had been caused between the United States and Great Britain over the Venezuelan boundary question, it being feared the presence of our warships in the neighborhood of the scene of dispute would be misconstrued into a hostile purpose. Later on and after the Venezuelan matter had dropped into the background, the situation as to Cuba was regarded by the administration as being such as to make it imprudent to allow a squadron to absent itself from our unprotected shores. Moreover, the approach of the ships to Cuba would have been interpreted by the insurgents as a sign of the intention of the United States Government to interfere in their behalf. All of these reasons have now ceased to be of force.

It has been arranged that the harbor of Key West shall form the rendezvous of the vessels. The conditions there, it is said, at the department, are very favorable. The exact date for the assembling of the ships there has not yet been fixed.

The torpedo boat flotilla probably will be in the neighborhood of Key West about the time the squadron is in the harbor and some interesting drills and mock-attacks may be expected.

GOVERNMENT ARMOR PLANT.

Cost Estimated at $3,750,000—No Recommendation as to Location.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 1.—The naval board appointed by authority of Congress to ascertain the cost of an armor plant, made its report through Commodore Howell to Secretary Long to-day. The report makes a voluminous document, treating every detail of the process of armor-making essential to a correct apprehension of the cost of the plant and of the product. It is also accompanied by elaborate plans for the plant, which have been verified by expert Fritz. The cost of a plant suitable for the making of naval armor at the rate of about 6,000 tons per annum, which is fully equal to the capacity of both of the existing private plants, is set down as about three and three-quarter million dollars. No recommendation is made as to the location of the plant, but the board has accumulated much information as to the merits of various eligible locations, which may be had by Congress if called for by it.

Secretary Long will now proceed immediately to take the next step necessary to carry out the wishes of Congress, namely: Invite proposals by advertisement for building such a plant as that designed for the use of the Government.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

December Statement—Issued from the Treasury Department

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 1.—The December statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business November 30th, 1897, the public debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to $1,-809,226,466, a decrease since October 30th of $11,338,135. This decrease is accounted for by an increase in the cash due to the deposit of an installment of the proceeds of the sale of the government's interest in the Union Pacific railroad.

But for this transaction the cash in the treasury would have been $771,450 less than last month.

THE LUETGERT TRIAL.

Counsel Wrangling—No Additional Jurors Secured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 1.—The examination of talesmen in the Luetgert case to day was marked by many conflicts between Assistant State's Attorney McEwen and Attorney Harmon, counsel for the defence. Judge Gary was required to interfere frequently. Attorney Harmon, in catechising veniremen, took frequent occasion to attack the reliability of police testimony.

At the close of the day no additional jurors had been secured, but four men had been accepted by the defence and will be examined by the State to-morrow.

WARM WIRELETS

In the Ryan-Ruhlin contest at New Orleans last night, Ruhlin was awarded the fight at the end of the tenth round.

Senator Hanna is suffering with severe headache and will have to delay his proposed trip to Washington for ten days.

General Weyler, the former captain-general of Cuba, was banqueted at Palma, island of Majorca, his birth-place, last evening. Great enthusiasm was manifested.

Ex-United States Senator Patrick Walsh, the Citizens candidate, was yesterday elected mayor of Augusta, Ga., over William Dunbar and Daniel Kerr, by a majority of 834.

Justice Field's retirement from the United States Supreme Court, of which he gave official notice to the President last April, took place yesterday. There was no formality attendant upon it.

Charles W. Spalding, ex-president of the Globe Savings Bank, Chicago, has been sentenced to an indeterminate term in the penitentiary. He was charged with embezzling funds of the University of Illinois, of which he was treasurer.

The latest move in the fight of the Seaboard Air Line against its competitors is shown by the order issued yesterday. It doubles the baggage allowance of passengers between all points on its line.

A fire-damp explosion took place in a coal mine near Homburg, Germany. The bodies of ten killed and forty-five injured miners have been extricated. Other miners are missing.

The Norwegian bark Adele and Sabine, from Brunswick, Ga., for Rotterdam, went ashore at Cocq Sur-Mar. It is reported that her cargo is washing out and that the bodies of four of her crew have been picked up.

Colonel W. D. Chipley, of Florida, who has been ill at a hospital in Washington for some weeks, following an operation for carbuncle, died yesterday morning. The remains will be removed to Columbus, Ga., for interment.

The Postoffice Department is taking a firm stand against the so-called "missing letter" and "missing word", contests. All newspapers and periodicals containing advertisements of this character are forbidden transmission in the mails under the anti-lottery regulations.

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AN ELOQUENT ADDRESS

BY THE STATE DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

All White Electors Who Intend to Vote With the Party in the Next Election and Who Desire White Supremacy and Honest Government in North Carolina Invited to Participate in All Primaries.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*

RALEIGH, N. C., December 1.

The Democratic Executive Committee did not complete its work until early this morning, after the close of the telegraph office.

The following resolution introduced by Mr. H. L. Stevens was unanimously adopted:

"That all white electors who intend to vote with us in the next election, and who desire the re-establishment of Anglo-Saxon supremacy and honest government in North Carolina, are cordially invited to participate in all of our primaries."

The following address, prepared by Mr. Francis D. Winston, of Bertie, was unanimously endorsed:

THE ADDRESS.

"The representatives of the Democratic party in North Carolina congratulate the Democrats of her sister States, who with a firm stand for the principles embodied in the Chicago platform, have won splendid victories for the people.

"In rejoicing at the success of the Democratic party in the late elections we remind the people that Democratic majorities were largest, and Republican majorities were smallest in those States where that platform was the issue. It is a significant fact that Democracy was defeated in the States where local concerns were allowed to overshadow the principles of the party. Democracy is for all the people. The recent utterances of the people are plain and decided. They have expressed their faith in the Chicago platform, their belief in bimetallism, their disgust and disapproval of Republican creeds and practices, and, above all, their hatred of the tyrannous gold standard. They show that they will no longer submit to the robbery of trusts, the domination of bosses and the oppression of the money power. The condemnation of the hypocrisy and falsehood of the Republican party is crushing.

"It is equally pronounced, whether we hear it, loud and free, in the wheat fields of Ohio and Iowa, or struggling for utterance in the wealth congested center of 'Greater New York,' where the candidate for mayor received 80,000 plurality—a candidate whose only campaign utterance was 'I am a Democrat,' who was heart and soul for the Chicago platform, and the candidates who stood on it.

"No less significant is the fact that the people of the State of New York have elected by 70,000 majority as Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals a statesman, who sought support by announcing that he 'had voted for Hon. Wm. J. Bryan last year.'

"And with this glorious news of Democratic success we rejoice that 'sham international bimetallism' has been exposed. There is now no room for Republican dodging.

"We affirm our belief in the principles of the Chicago and State platforms of the Democratic party, as adopted in their entirety, and we will still support those principles until they are written in our laws.

"We would be untrue to the firm and loyal allegiance the Democrats of North Carolina bear to our greatest leader, Hon. William J. Bryan, if we failed to express our confidence in his honor and integrity, and in his devotion of head and heart to the welfare of all the people. We emphasize the fact that our greatest victory was won in the States of Ohio and Kentucky, where he personally appealed to the people.

"We view with alarm the depressed condition of trade and the low prices of products raised by our people, but we remind those who heard Republican orators in 1896 predict dire disaster if the Democrats were elected, that McKinley is President of these United States and that both branches of Congress are Republican. The people are swift to draw the proper conclusions.

"We thank all the patriotic citizens who joined with us last year in carrying the State for our Presidential candidates, and we invite to the future councils of the Democratic party—the party of the people—all men who believe in its principles, and who desire its supremacy and will assist in carrying out its policy.

"In less than one year opportunity will be given the voters to express a firm adherence to those principles. We regret that the ballot box was not this year opened to all North Carolinians. North Carolina is now accidentally Republican. We do not believe that any number of intelligent and virtuous men expected or hoped for the present rule in this State. We are sure all good men are eager for a change. We have fallen on evil days in North Carolina. They recall the days of revolution. They demonstrate the truth that no Southern State can be governed with honor and decency by the Republican party. Too large a number of its voters are ignorant for the masses to control, and too large a number of the leaders are venal and corrupt to give North Carolina good government.

"We look with horror upon the evils wrought by a combination of Republicans and the corrupt work of the leaders of the Populist party by means of which our legislation has become a farce. Many of our officeholders become corrupt and criminal, and ignorance and vice raised above intelligence and virtue. We denounce the efforts of this combination to place the insane of the State at the mercy of incompetent, vicious and lustful men, and we condemn the changes wrought in our laws whereby ignorant and impure men have been placed in control of schools, courts, prisons and asylums. These are the inevitable consequences of Republican rule. The Democratic party promises the people on its return to power to correct all these abuses. It will guarantee every citizen his rights, but it demands that virtue and intelligence shall rule the State. It will restore to the white women of the State the security they felt under the twenty years of Democracy inaugurated by the immortal Vance. To the accomplishment of these ends let every patriot rally to the white man's party. To your tents, oh Israel!

CLEMENT MANLY,
Chairman State Dem. Ex. Com.
JNO. W. THOMPSON, Sec'y.

Mr. H. B. Varner was elected a member of the committee in place of H. M. Pinnix, deceased.

Chairman Clement Manly and Secretary John W. Thompson were tendered a rising vote of thanks for the able management of affairs in the last campaign.

MR. DAVID B. RICKS DEAD.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., Nov. 30.

It was with deep regret that our people learned of the death of Mr. David B. Ricks, which occurred at his home near this place last evening. Mr. Ricks had been in bad health for some months and his death was not unexpected.

He was a most excellent gentleman and his death is greatly deplored in this community. He was a very prominent planter, and was the father of Mr. R. H. Ricks, who is very prominent in business circles in Rocky Mount. He died at the advanced age of 85 years.

COAL TRUST FORMED.

A Stupendous Scheme of Pittsburg Operators.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, PA., December 1.—The biggest combination of river coal interests ever attempted promises to be effected before the new year. It has been talked of for years, but has at last come to a focus.

There is a silent dissension in the ranks, but it is not considered to be sufficient to block the way of a speedy consolidation. The scheme, which is stupendous in nature, proposes the organization of one company with a capitalization of $11,000,000. It is to be a huge trust, controlling the river coal interests from Lock No. 5, on the Monongahela river, to New Orleans.

The primary object of the combination is to reduce expenses in both mining and shipping. The Pittsburg operators hope by this means to successfully compete with the Kanawha river product.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by R. R. BELLAMY. †

BUSINESS LOCALS.

☞ NOTICES For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found, Wants and other short miscellaneous advertisements inserted in this Department, in leaded Nonpareil type, on first or fourth page, at Publisher's option, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 20 cents. Terms positively cash in advance.

Found by Thomas Trent and H. L. Peterson on Dock between third and Fourth street, a male sheep, white, with curled horns. Apply at Wilmington Hook and Ladder Hall. de 1 2t

Dr. F. H. Russell has removed his office to his residence northwest corner Fifth and Princess streets. Bell Phone 273; Inter-State Phone 65. de 1 2t

Safe for sale—A first-class Fire and Burglar Proof Safe for sale cheap, large size—4½ feet high. Inquire at Perdew's Gun Shop, 25 South Front street. de 1 4t

For best prices and prompt returns ship your Country Produce to M C. Benson, 106 Dock street. Beef Cattle, Milch Cows and Pork a specialty. dec 1 tf

Removed—I have removed my office from 218 Princess street (between Second and Third streets), to Market street between Second and Third streets, office formerly occupied by Dr F. H. Russell. Wm Sheehan, Jr., Real Estate, Renting and Collecting Agent. dec 1 4t

Where can I ship country produce to the best advantage is a question that is puzzling you. Better ship it by shipping to L. Tate Bowden, 6 Princess street. Careful handling and prompt returns. Eggs for the city trade. no 30 tf

Country Merchants—You will find it to your interest to ship your Produce, Poultry, Eggs, etc., to H. J Bierman, Produce Commission Merchant, 106 South Front street, Wilmington, N. C. nov 28 tf

As special the Atlantic Tea Co will sell this week the best Old Government Java for 3[illegible]c, and the best Laguayra Coffees for 28c per pound. Call and see them at 618 North Fourth street. nov 28 tf

Wanted—By Old Established House—High Grade Woman, good Church standing, willing to learn our business then to act as Manager and State Correspondent here. Salary $900. Enclose self addressed stamped envelope to A. T. Elder, General Manager, care DAILY STAR. no 25 8t

Hayden, P. H., has in stock buggies, road Carts and harness of all kinds. Repairing done by skillful workmen on short notice. Opposite new Court House. no 26 tf

In case you need Bananas, Fine Peaches, Malaga and Catawba Grapes, don't hesitate a moment as to where they can be bought to best advantage. Go to Andrew Mavroichols', 705 North Fourth street. Bell 'Phone 346; Inter-State 191. nov 14 tf

Had that Suit made yet, neighbor? No! Well, call on see me and get some figures. Don't think of buying until you have seen the large and complete stock of E. Poesolt & Bro., No. 8 South Front street. nov 14 tf

Wanted at once—A position as governess to small children, or as mother's aid Companion to an infirm or elderly lady. Terms moderate. References good. Address, S. A. G., Carrier 5, Wilmington, N. C. oc 31 tf

Costs you nothing to see the Maxim light. Cheaper and better than the Welsbach or Sunlight. What more do you want? Wilmington Iron Works sell it. nov 10 1m

Merchants—Wholesale and country merchants save time and money by letting me parch your Peanuts. New process by which large quantities can be roasted at one time. Samples sent if required. A. E. Blake, Wilmington, N. C. nov 7 tf

Photographs—For finest quality, latest styles, best material, finest finish, lowest prices, call on U. C. Ellis, 114 Market street, Wilmington, N. C. Cloudy weather makes no difference. oc 29 tf

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Always Reliable—The best and freshest goods at lowest market prices. Cabbage, Apples, Butter, Bananas, Crackers, Candies, Lemons, Potatoes, etc. Retailers will find it to their advantage to ask my prices before placing their order. A. S. Winstead, 115 Second street. Phone 208. sep 21 tf

Hay—Timothy Hay, mixed Clover Hay, Prairie Hay, Straw Grain and all kinds of mixed feed for horses and cattle. Jno. S. McEachern, 211 Market St. Telephone 92. mar 13 tf

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OR OUR SAVIOUR IN ART"

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SALT.

Any weight sacks, coarse or fine, fresh packing. A large stock

Bagging and Ties,

which we offer at lowest market prices.

Groceries

in quantities sufficient to fill orders promptly. Correspondence solicited.

Hall & Pearsall,

Nutt and Mulberry streets.

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SLAUGHTER SALE

AT 18 MARKET STREET.

Red and White Flannels and All Wool Dress Goods at 10 Per Cent. Above Cost.

DRESS GOODS 40 INCHES TO 1¼ YARDS WIDE AT 25 CENTS PER YARD.

500 Pairs Children's Shoes—10s to 1s—positively at cost. Men's Hats at cost. Ladies' Hats, Feathers, Tips and Ribbons at and below cost. A general sacrifice of Under Clothing, Hosiery, Notions, Carpets Rugs.

J. J. SHEPARD.

P. S.—Of course it is needless for us to add that you will be the loser if you fail to call and examine the above goods. de 2 tf

A. D. BROWN,

Successor to BROWN & RODDICK,

No. 29 North Front St.

"ONE PRICE TO ALL" has been our motto since 1865, and we attribute our success to the unswerving adherance to it. We will not break price for any one. Some times we have goods that stay too long with us and then we cut the price and offer them to every one at GREAT SACRIFICE.

A Few Specialties.

Crash Towelling worth 5 cents at 3 cents per yard.
Novelty Dress Goods worth 50 cents at 40 cents per yard.
Drap Ete Dress Goods worth $1.25 at $1.00 per yard.
New line Percales at 12½ cents per yard.

Christmas Goods.

Dolls, Dolls, Dolls, Bric a Brac, Neckwear, Ladies' and Gents' Kid Gloves, Parasols and Umbrellas. Call and see our line.

This Week.

Gentlemen's heavy Grey Underwear worth $1 50, only 98c each.
Gentlemen's All Wool (light weight) Underwear in Ecru worth $1 25, only 98c each.
Ladies' light weight Vests and Pants, only 98c each.
Ladies' non shrinking Vests and Pants, Grey, only 98c each.
A good Cotton Carpet, yard wide, for 25 cents per yard,
Union Carpeting 35 cents per yard.
A good Brussels Carpet for 55 cents per yard. no 27 tf

J. A. SPRINGER & CO

IF YOU WANT GOOD COAL.

If you want clean well prepared Coal.
If you want first-class service.
If you want to buy fuel of a concern that always tries to please.
If you want to trade with dealers who appreciate your business.
If you want to deal with a firm that always has the goods on hand.
If you want straight goods at straight prices and be treated right on four sides, then send your orders to the old stand.

J A Springer & Co.

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The C. W. Polvogt Co.

DOLLS. In Wax, Washable Cloth, Indestructable, dressed and undressed, 25c to $3.00.
CELLULOID GOODS. Collar and Cuff Boxes, Handkerchief Boxes, Jewelry Boxes, Necktie Boxes, Powder Boxes.
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LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S WRAPS. Plush, Cloth and Astracan Capes. Jackets in Cloth and Astracan, all new styles. Children's Jackets and Infants' Long Cloaks.
Remember that all our Wraps are NEW!

Wear W. B. CORSETS and use Standard Patterns. We are sole agents for them both.

Write for samples and Fashion Sheets. nov 28 tf

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Good Coal and a well roasted turkey are inseparable. You get your turkey and order the high grade, well screened BANNER or CALEDONIA COAL from our yard, and we will guarantee that if he is as tuff a gobbler as ever strutted through a barn yard Banner or Caledonia Coal will bake him tender. For sale by

Wm. E. Worth & Co.

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Campbell and Second street, Dock between Front and Water. no 21 tf

Cold Weather Novelties.

Blankets and Comforts.	
Double Blankets	45c and up
Extra Heavy Gray Blankets	98c
Red Blankets	$1.25, 1.75 and 3 [illegible]
All Wool $5.00 Blankets	$3 75
$6 5 Blankets, our price	$[illegible] 98
Comforters	39, 45, 75 and 9[illegible]c
$2 00 Grade only	$[illegible] 48
$5.[illegible]0 Down Comforters	$3.50
Capes and Cloaks.	
Capes with Braid	5[illegible]c
Better quality	75 and 98c
Double Capes with Braid and Fur Trimmings Our Price	$1.[illegible]0
Astragan and Plush Capes	$[illegible].50
$5 00 Capes latest styles	$3 50
$10.0[illegible] Capes, our price	$6 50

Overcoats and Suits.	
Men's Overcoats	$1.75
Black Cheviot Overcoats	$2 75
$8 [illegible]0 Velvet Collar Coats	$5.00
$12 50 Overcoat	$[illegible].50
All Wool Business Suits	$5 0[illegible]
$1 50 Boys' Suits	$1.00
$3.[illegible]0 Suits, our price	$1.[illegible]0
Underwear.	
Heavy Undershirts	1[illegible]c
Extra Heavy Undershirts	[illegible]5c
Fleeced Lined Undershirts	[illegible]0c
$1.0[illegible] quality Red and Gray Flannel Underwear	[illegible]5c
Ladies' Undervests	15 and [illegible]5c
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Dry Bargains in Cloaks—Infants' Cloaks 50, 75c and $1 48.
Greatest Bargains in Shoes, all sizes. Also, in Carpets, Rugs, Mattings, Window Shades, Goods, Hats, &c.

J. H. REHDER & CO.,

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Car fare paid on purchases of $2.00 and up. no 21 tf

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DEPOSITS IN

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company.

Wednesday, December 1st., is the beginning of our next interest paying period. Deposits made on or before that date begin to bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum. no 27 tf

Stylish Hats?

DO NOT FORGET WHEN YOU WANT them, HAMME, THE HATTER, is the place to get them. Latest Styles and Lowest Price.

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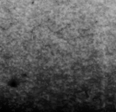

HOUSE ON NINTH BETWEEN Church and Castle streets. Four rooms water and good yard room in rear.

D. O'CONNOR.

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